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Please find attached a letter and analysis opposing acceptance of the 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report as submitted by the Dept. of Public Works and Planning.

Thanks,

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SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: November 24, 2020 Board Agenda Item #15: Consider and adopt Resolution accepting the 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report

Dear Board Chairman Buddy Mendes and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The League of Women Voters of Fresno (League) has reviewed the County's draft Annual Progress Report (APR) for calendar year 2019 and offers these comments in support of the Planning Commission's recommendation that your Board not accept the APR as written.

The League finds that the 2019 APR lacks critical information required by statute, including the all-important analysis of the degree to which the General Plan complies with the *State of California General Plan Guidelines* (2017) developed and adopted by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research [Government Code Sections 65400(a)(2)(F) and 65040.2].

In addition, the APR contains errors of fact, including misstatements that the planning horizon for the 2000 General Plan extends beyond the year 2020 and that state law "*requires*" generalized reporting on the implementation of the General Plan.

More importantly, the APR fails to make plain that fact that over 1/3 of the 121 programs in the first six elements of the General Plan are not being implemented as prescribed. And while the 2019 APR does attend to the "status" of these programs, the Progress Report fails to assess the progress made toward implementing plan goals and policies. As a reminder, Government Code 65400(a)(2)(A) requires the APR to address the "*status of the plan and progress in its implementation.*"

Please find attached a League review of the 2019 APR. The review pinpoints where the report is incomplete or in error.

The League believes that shortcomings in the APR are easily remedied and respectfully requests that your Board honor the Planning Commission's recommendation not to accept the APR as written and direct staff to revise the report and then return the 2019 APR to the Planning Commission and to your Board for reconsideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Kast".

Marianne Kast, President of the League of Women Voters of Fresno

Review of Fresno County's Draft Annual Progress Report On the Implementation of the General Plan for Calendar Year 2019

Prepared by the League of Women Voters of Fresno

November 21, 2020

Dear Residents of Fresno County,

California law requires that once a county adopts a general plan, the county must also annually report the progress made toward implementing the plan.

California Government Code §65300 decrees as follows: “...*the legislative body of each county...shall adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the county....*”

And Government Code §65400(a)(2)(A) states that by April 1 of each year each county shall prepare a report that includes “*the status of the plan and progress in its implementation.*”

Because the Fresno County General Plan is comprehensive, the annual progress report (APR) evaluates a myriad of responsibilities — everything from protecting the environment to ensuring an adequate water supply, from enhancing agricultural productivity to improving employment opportunities, and from providing adequate recreational opportunities to ensuring public safety.

In support of its mission to encourage the informed participation of citizens in government, the League of Women Voters of Fresno (League) has reviewed the County's draft APR for calendar year 2019 for the purpose of appraising the report's accuracy, completeness and worth.

The League is saddened to report that the 2019 APR is far from complete and that it contains substantial inaccuracies. Crucially, the report fails to adequately assess the County's progress toward achieving General Plan goals, and it fails to demonstrate successful execution of the majority of the plan's implementation programs.

This past September the Fresno County Planning Commission was so dissatisfied with the quality of the report that it recommended to the Board of Supervisors that the report be rejected as currently drafted.

The League concurs with the Planning Commission's position on the 2019 APR and offers this review as evidence in support of the need to revise the report. The League's review focuses primarily on the implementation of six of the seven elements in the General Plan. The seventh element — Housing — was not reviewed by the League.

Should you have questions or comments, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Section 1: The Mandate to Prepare Annual Progress Reports (APRs)

An APR is an annual self-evaluation that describes a county's progress toward implementing its general plan during a given year.

Annual progress reports are important because they provide an opportunity for county residents and elected officials to gauge how well a county has been able to implement its general plan and to consider the resources and activities that are needed to improve implementation in the future.

Each county has its own procedures for preparing APRs. For Fresno County, the task of preparing APRs falls to the Planning Commission. General Plan Program LU-H.D reads, *"The Planning Commission shall review the General Plan annually, focusing principally on actions undertaken in the previous year to carry out the implementation programs of the plan. The Planning Commission's report to the Board of Supervisors shall include, as the Commission deems appropriate, recommendations for amendments to the General Plan."*

In some ways, an APR is analogous to an annual report prepared by a business entity. According to the Office of Planning and Research in Sacramento, each APR should examine reasonable and practical ways to implement the General Plan so that it (1) serves as an effective guide for orderly development, (2) guarantees the conservation of open-space and natural resources, and (3) ensures the efficient expenditure of public funds used to achieve the goals of the plan.

California law specifies that an APR for a particular calendar year must be approved by the Board of Supervisors and submitted to the state no later than April 1st of the following year. Fresno County has delayed taking action on its draft 2019 APR. The matter is scheduled to go before the Board of Supervisors November 24, 2020.

Section 2: Necessary Corrections

The County's draft 2019 APR contains errors of fact. In addition, it sidesteps the truth by providing information that is not on point.

A seemingly innocuous but highly significant error which first appeared in the County's 2017 APR (and in every APR since) is the statement that the planning horizon of the General Plan extends beyond the year 2020. In truth, the General Plan explicitly states that the planning horizon for the 2000 General Plan is 20 years in length. The General Plan needs updating, and claiming that the planning horizon extends beyond 2020 is not good cause to delay the initiation of that process.

A second error is a statement in the 2019 APR that California law "requires" generalized reporting on the implementation of the General Plan. (Similar language first appeared in the 2015 APR and in every APR thereafter.) Government Code Section 65400 contains no such requirement. The Guidance (2017) from the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) simply states that an *"...APR should provide enough information for decision makers to assess how the General Plan was implemented during the 12-month reporting period...."* As explained in Section 3 below, the 2019 APR lacks information required by statute, and the misstatement that generalized reporting is required must not be used to justify the absence of that information.

In addition to containing errors of fact, the 2019 APR is replete with information that is not on point. The follow example serves to illustrate. Every General Plan program has a least one deliverable. Program LU-A.F requires the County to develop and implement a public outreach program that educates the agricultural community on the advantages of participation in agricultural land conservation programs. But rather than report on whether the County made progress in accomplishing that task, the 2019 APR reports as follows:

“The Board of Supervisors has adopted Resolutions of Support for land owners who wish to place their land under conservation easement. In 2017, the Board adopted a Resolution to place 642 acres in a conservation easement. In 2015, the Board adopted one Resolution to place a 56-acre parcel in a conservation easement and in 2014 the Board adopted two Resolutions to place a total of 309 acres in a conservation easement.”

It’s obvious that the information printed above is for the wrong year. The information is for years 2014, 2015 and 2017 but not for 2019. More importantly, the information does not address whether the County has made progress toward developing and implementing a “public outreach program” on the advantages of participating in agricultural land conservation programs.

Information that’s not on point takes up space in the APR, but it does not educate.

Below is a list of programs with unproductive reporting. The report does not discuss the specific program deliverables required by the plan.

Economic Development	A.A, A.C, B.A, B.B, B.C, B.D
Agriculture & Land Use	A.B, A.C, A.D, A.F, A.G, A.H, H.B
Transportation & Circulation	B.E
Public Facilities & Services	C.A, H.B
Open Spaced & Conservation	A.B, A.C, B.A, B.B, B.C, B.D, E.A, E.B, F.A, G.A, G.C
Health & Safety	C.C

The programs listed above constitute nearly a quarter of the 121 programs in the first six elements in the General Plan Policy Document. It’s difficult to understand why the County would release for public review an annual progress report that fails to describe the progress made in implementing such a large number of programs.

Section 3: Necessary Additions

The 2019 APR is missing information required by the General Plan itself.

Program OS-A.C reads, *“The County shall develop, implement and maintain a groundwater monitoring program. Information from this program shall be provided to the Board of Supervisors during the annual General Plan review.”* The 2019 APR does not contain any information about this very important groundwater monitoring program.

Program LU-H.D reads, *“The Planning Commission shall review the General Plan annually, focusing principally on actions undertaken in the previous year to carry out the implementation programs of the plan. The Planning Commission’s report to the Board of Supervisors shall include, as the Commission deems appropriate, recommendations for amendments to the General Plan. This review shall also be used to satisfy the requirements of Public Resources Code 21081.6 for a mitigation monitoring program.”* The 2019 APR does not discuss a mitigation monitoring program. In fact, there is no evidence that the County has ever systematically examined whether General Plan mitigation measures are being successfully implemented.

The 2019 APR is also missing information required law. Government Code Section 65400(a)(2)(F) reads in part as follows, *“After the legislative body has adopted all or part of a general plan, the planning agency shall do...the following:...Provide by April 1 of each year an annual report to the legislative body...that includes all of the following:...The degree to which its approved general plan complies with the guidelines developed and adopted pursuant to Section 65040.2.”* The guidelines in question are not the OPR guidelines on how to prepare annual progress reports. They are, instead, the state’s guidelines on how to prepare general plans. These general plan guidelines were last updated by OPR in 2017, and they set out each statutory requirement in detail.

In preparing the 2019 APR, the County appears not to have examined the degree to which the County's General Plan complies with these OPR Guidelines. Had the County done so, then staff would surely have included in its 2019 report information that the County's General Plan is out of compliance with Government Code Section 65302.1, which requires counties in the San Joaquin Valley to amend their general plans to include a description of local air quality conditions; attainment status; a summary of local, state and federal policies, programs and regulations to improve air quality; a comprehensive set of goals, policies, and objectives to improve air quality; and feasible implementation measures designed to achieve those goals. These requirements are addressed on pages 185 – 188 of the OPR Guidelines.

It's critical that the public and the Board of Supervisors have such information. The failure to bring the General Plan up to code throws into question the County's ability to approve any future projects that have the potential to significantly affect air quality.

Just as troubling is the fact that the County did not include in the 2019 APR any discussion as to whether the County is making overall progress toward the successful implementing the General Plan. This error may be the result of selective reading of the Government Code. Section 65400(a)(2)(A) requires the County to include in its 2019 APR "*the status of the plan and progress in its implementation.*"

The County has chosen to focus on the status of the plan — not on progress toward its implementation, this despite the fact that the document is called a progress report. There are, for example, statements such as these in the 2019 APR: "*The purpose of the APR is to inform the Board of Supervisors on the status of implementing the County General Plan.*" and "*This APR covers the status of implementation of the County General Plan for the 2019 calendar year.*" Lacking is any statement that the purpose of the APR is to report on progress made in the plan's implementation.

Section 4: Restricting the Purview of the Planning Commission

County staff drafted the 2019 APR without input from Planning Commissioners. At its regular meeting on September 10, 2020, members of the Planning Commission expressed a desire to revise the 2019 APR prior to sending it on to the Board of Supervisors for final consideration, but the planning staff would not agree to that, saying that amending the report would require authorization from the Board of Supervisors. In disbelief, a commissioner commented to staff, "*So am I hearing that even no matter what we do here that you're going to send it on to the Board [as is] anyway?*"

At that same hearing, a member of the planning staff expressed the view that the 2019 APR was provided to the Planning Commission as a courtesy only, saying "*We are actually presenting it to the Board for acceptance. We are presenting it to the Planning Commission as a courtesy.*" County Counsel supported that view, saying "*This isn't your report. You guys are not adopting this as to truthfulness. You are passing this to the Board with your recommendation.*"

The views expressed by County staff and County Counsel were contrary to an unambiguous directive in the General Plan. Program LU-H.D, which governs the manner in which APRs are to be prepared, reads in full as follows:

"The Planning Commission shall review the General Plan annually, focusing principally on actions undertaken in the previous year to carry out the implementation programs of the plan. The Planning Commission's report to the Board of Supervisors shall include, as the Commission deems appropriate, recommendations for amendments to the General Plan. This review shall also be used to satisfy the requirements of Public Resources Code 21081.6 for a mitigation monitoring program. (See Policy LU-H.12.)"

It's clear from Program LU-H.D that the primary responsibility to draft annual progress reports rests with the Planning Commission. The leadership role of the Planning Commission is evident on General Plan page 2-52 where the Planning Commission appears first among the list of parties responsible for preparing APRs.

Responsibility:	Planning Commission Board of Supervisors Planning & Resource Management Department
Time Frame:	FY 02-03, annually thereafter

Confounding matters even more is the fact with respect to the Planning Commission's capacity to prepare APRs, over the years, County planning staff has been inconsistent in its instructions to commissioners. It's the practice of staff to list in its staff reports to commissioners a range of actions that the Commission may take. In its staff report for the 2002 APR (the County's first APR for the 2000 General Plan), staff stated that the Commission had the authority to either accept the report as written or continue its review to a future date. For the County's 2013/2014 APR, staff said the Commission could either forward the report to the Board of Supervisors or direct staff to revise it. Then beginning with the 2015 APR, staff offered the Commission only one option—to recommend that the Board accept the APR as written. That check on the Commission's ability to modify the report continued through 2018.

The staff report for the 2019 APR presented a different set of instructions that included an option to recommend that the Board not accept the report as written, which the Commission did. What's important to realize, however, is that staff did not give the Commission the option as with the first APR to continue the review of the document to a future date or, as with the 2013/2014 APR, to direct staff to revise the document.

Because of inconsistent guidance from staff, in an attempt to perform its due diligence vis-à-vis the 2019 APR, the Commission was unsure about the directives it could give staff, as well as the action it could take.

Section 5: Deviations from Directives in the General Plan

Although the Planning Commission held two hearings on the 2019 APR — one on March 30, 2020 and one on September 10, 2020, commissioners did not review implementation of the plan's 52 goals, 639 policies and 140 implementation programs. Instead, commissioners shared how unprepared they felt to knowledgeably review the plan implementation. They focused on whether it was possible to get better information and if the report could be revised.

Had commissioners actually reviewed the plan with staff and with the public, then they would have learned that the County is unable to show progress in executing 45 of the plan's implementation programs, which is a little over one third of the programs in the first six elements of the plan. The programs are these.

Economic Development	A.A, A.B, A.C, A.D, A.E, A.G, B.A, B.B, B.C, B.D
Agriculture & Land Use	A.B, A.C, A.D, A.F, A.G, A.I, C.A, H.A, H.B, H.E
Transportation & Circulation	B.E
Public Facilities & Services	B.A, B.B, C.A, C.E, G.A
Open Spaced & Conservation	A.B, A.C, B.A, B.B, B.C, B.D, D.A, D.B, E.A, E.B, F.A, F.B, G.A, G.C, H.A, I.B, J.A
Health & Safety	C.C, G.B

Although there are differing reasons for not implementing programs as prescribed by the General Plan, programs that have not been implemented seem to have this one feature in common: all were abandoned. That said, abandonment should never have been an option. Each implementation program contains the word *shall*, and the General Plan describes the word *shall* as an “*unequivocal directive*.”

The examples below illustrate a wide range of reasons given for not implementing programs.

Staff approved the change.

Program ED-A.E and accompanying Policy ED-A.11 require the County to include in staff reports an analysis of fiscal and economic impacts for all discretionary decisions. That said, the 2019 APR states that the program was determined to be obsolete (and not implemented) as per direction provided by the CAO’s office.

The Board of Supervisor suspended the program.

Program PF-B.A requires the County to adopt and regularly update a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the design and construction of County facilities. Nonetheless, the 2019 APR states that the update of the CIP was suspended because of a Board decision to discontinue the collection of public facilities impacts fees.

There aren’t sufficient funds.

Program OS-D.B requires the County to adopt an ordinance that identifies riparian protection zones and allowable activities and mitigation techniques in those zones. Still, the 2019 APR states that because of budgetary constraints, the ordinance has not been adopted.

There’s a better way to do it.

Program OS.G.A requires the County to review the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District’s *Guide for Assessing and Mitigating Air Quality Impacts* for the purpose of adopting procedures for performing air quality impact analyses and adopting mitigation. Even so, the 2019 APR states that the County decided instead to refer development projects to the Air District for review and comment.

None of these actions were initiated in the manner specified for amending the General Plan. As such, none were appropriate or permissible.

Section 6: Successful Implementation General Plan Programs

The table on pages 6 through 83 is a word-perfect record of the County’s reporting on General Plan implementation for these three time periods: fiscal year 2001/2002, calendar year 2015 and calendar year 2019.

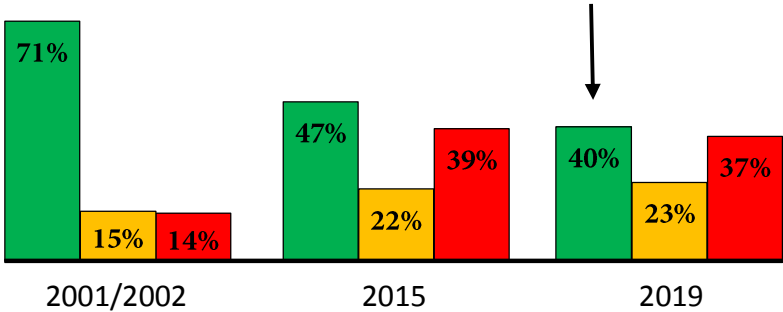
The table contains...

- 1. The complete wording of each of the 121 implementation programs in the first six elements of the 2000 General Plan.
- 2. Complete citations from the first APR (2001/2002) for each program.
- 3. Complete citations from the County’s 2015 APR for each program.
- 4. Complete citations from the County’s draft 2019 APR for each program.

Each citation has a color tab to its right that signifies how well the County has been able to demonstrate successful implementation.

- Green if the citation clearly demonstrates expected progress.
Green if the program has been successfully completed.
Green if the program is to be initiated in a future year.
- Orange if the citation demonstrates or infers partial progress.
- Red if the citation reports no progress.
Red if the citation fails to focus on program deliverable(s).

The graph below was made using data from the table. It shows, based on the 2019 APR, successful implementation of only 40% of plan programs.



General Plan Reporting in Fresno County's APRs for 2001/2002, 2015 and 2019

COUNTY COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO IMPLEMENT THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT

DIRECTIVE IN THE 2000 GENERAL PLAN



STATUS AS NOTED IN THE 2001/2002 APR



STATUS AS NOTED IN THE DRAFT 2015 APR



STATUS AS NOTED IN THE DRAFT 2019 APR



01 PROGRAM ED-A.A

Deliverable: Creation of a staff position to serve as liaison/facilitator and support for the County's economic development programs and Economic Development Action Team.

The County shall create an economic development staff position(s) in the County Administrative Office and the Planning & Resource Management Department to serve as liaison/facilitator and support for the economic development implementation program and the Action Team.

Designations Completed and Work Ongoing -- On April 23, 2002, the Board of Supervisors was designated as the Economic Development Action Team to implement the Economic Development Element of the County General Plan. The Board also created the position of Assistant County Administrative Officer for Economic Development. Additionally, the Community Development Division's Economic Development program staff collaborate and coordinate activities with the new Assistant CAO as well as cities, communities, economic development agencies and other partners to implement the Economic Development Strategy and Element.

On August 9, 2011, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors entered into a contract with the Economic Development Corporation which among other things is responsible for implementation of the Economic Development Element programs.

On September 12, 2017, the Board of Supervisors approved formation of an Economic Development Action Team (EDAT) Standing Committee with Structure, Objectives and Composition as outlined below:

Structure

- Formed as a Standing Committee to discuss EDAT issues/projects with meetings convened based on need.

Objectives

- Work with County staff to implement the following three goals of the Economic Development Element of the County's General Plan: (1) Job Creation, (2) Economic Base Diversification, and (3) Labor Force Preparedness;
- Assist County staff in reviewing the Economic Development Element of the County General Plan; and
- Provide direction to County staff regarding economic development projects in the unincorporated area of Fresno County.

Composition

County of Fresno

- Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, or another supervisor designated by the Chairman;
- A second County Supervisor determined by the issue/project

				<p>the EDAT is discussing;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Administrative Officer; • Public Works and Planning Director; and • City representatives impacted by the issue/project the EDAT is discussing. <p><i>For the City of Fresno the representatives would include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor of the City of Fresno; • President of the City Council for the City of Fresno; and • City Manager of the City of Fresno. <p><i>For the Cities of Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, Sanger, San Joaquin, or Selma the representatives would include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayor of that City; and • City Manager of that City. <p>The County is currently contracting with the Fresno County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) for implementation of the Economic Development Element Programs of the County General Plan.</p> <p>In 2019, the County activated its EDAT in partnership with the City of Sanger and EDC. Following completion of the 2019 Opportunity Analysis, Chairman Nathan Magsig and Supervisor Buddy Mendes formally engaged city representatives to coordinate joint grant applications for Economic Development Administration funding to extend vital infrastructure to service the Highway 180 – Academy Avenue growth area.</p>	
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02 PROGRAM ED-A.B

<p>Deliverable: Creation of and support for an Economic Development Action Team (EDAT) to coordinate countywide economic development.</p>				
The County shall create, support, and staff an Action Team to coordinate countywide economic development.	The Board of Supervisors, as the Economic Development Action Team has initiated and continued to support several regional economic development projects/initiatives of countywide significance. Refer to Appendix B Part I b for a listing of those projects.		The County's Developments Services Division works with the Economic Development Corporation serving Fresno County to coordinate countywide economic developments.	See ED-A.A.

03 PROGRAM ED-A.C

Deliverable: Evaluation at least every 5 years by an independent institution of the success in achieving the goals and targets of the County's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.				
The County shall retain an independent and qualified institution to conduct an evaluation at least every five (5) years of success in achieving the goals and targets of the Economic Development Strategy.	Future year.		On August 9, 2011, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors entered into a contract with the Economic Development Corporation which among other things is responsible for implementation of the Economic Development Element programs. The Economic Development Corporation regularly works to update the County's Economic Development Strategy.	<p>The Economic Development Corporation works with the County to update the County's Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).</p> <p>In 2019, the EDC compiled research, demographics and data to update the CEDS. Each city was contacted to provide any additions or changes concerning their economic development goals, strategies and initiatives.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>

04 PROGRAM ED-A.D

Deliverable: In cooperation with the county's 15 cities, creation of criteria for the location of value-added agricultural facilities in unincorporated areas of the County.				
The County, working in cooperation with the cities, shall develop criteria for the location in the unincorporated areas of value-added agricultural processing facilities that are compatible with an agricultural setting. Such criteria shall take into account the service requirements of facilities for processing agricultural products and the capability and capacity of the cities to provide the services required.	Work will be occurring in FY 02-03.		This program has been implemented. The General Plan Policy LU-A.3 allows for the establishment of value added processing facilities in areas designated Agriculture through approval of a discretionary permit subject to established criteria which includes analysis of service requirements for facilities and the capability and capacity of surrounding areas to provide the services required.	<p>This program has been implemented. The General Plan Policy LU-A.3 allows for the establishment of value-added processing facilities in areas designated Agriculture through approval of a discretionary permit subject to established criteria which includes analysis of service requirements for facilities and the capability and capacity of surrounding areas to provide the services required.</p>

05 PROGRAM ED-A.E

Deliverable: Establishment of a set of guidelines in staff reports for the analysis of the economic impacts of all discretionary decisions.

The County shall establish guidelines for the analysis of the economic impacts in staff reports of all discretionary decisions by the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and other County decision-making bodies.	Currently, agenda items presented to the Board of Supervisors relating to economic development projects contain the appropriate economic analysis. In light of current limitations on staffing resources, County staff is in the process of reevaluating this requirement and preparing a policy recommendation that would define the type of agenda items where this economic analysis would be required. The emphasis would be on requiring this type of analysis on projects that have a significant impact on the local economy.		Prior direction from the CAO has indicated that this analysis is not needed and the analysis is no longer included as a section of agenda items.		Per direction from the CAO's office, the analysis of economic impacts are no longer required in the staff report for discretionary permits. As such, this program is obsolete.
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06 PROGRAM ED-A.F

Deliverable: Contract with the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) to develop programs for marketing county produce.

The County shall contract with the Fresno EDC to develop marketing programs for Fresno County produce.	The EDC has developed several marketing efforts for Fresno County produce as follows: 1) Food Processing Cluster* formation, 2) Water Cluster* formation, 3) Skill Set Analysis and Labor Study, 4) EDC Branding with the use of produce in graphics and giveaways, 5) Site Visit thank you gifts and promotional mailings. *Clusters are defined as collections of competing and collaborating companies networked into horizontal and vertical relationships,		As previously mentioned, the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) is the contracting agency for implementing policies of the Economic Development Element of the General Plan. EDC has developed several marketing efforts for Fresno County produce.		The EDC has developed several marketing efforts for Fresno County produce. The EDC regularly develops and updates marketing collateral for Fresno County to use during tradeshows, targeted missions and direct business outreach. In 2019, the EDC created a tailored Agricultural Industry Packet for use at the AMCHAM Shanghai Conference and during Chinese business visits to promote foreign direct investment. These materials will be used as collateral in 2020. Included in the marketing material was insights from the 2018 Crop Report, which listed Fresno County's \$7.8 Billion agricultural industry, leading the United States in agricultural production.
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	involving strong common buyer-supplier linkages.			As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.	
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07 PROGRAM ED-A.G

<p>Deliverables: Determination of the existence of capital deficiencies for farmers shifting to production modes that create greater employment.</p> <p>In partnership with other agencies, an effort to access or redirect existing funds should such deficiencies be identified.</p>					
The County shall determine, in cooperation with existing agencies, if capital deficiencies exist for farmers with the capital costs of shifting production modes to crops that create higher employment levels. If such deficiencies are identified, the County, in partnership with existing agencies, shall work to access additional funds or redirect existing funds.	Progress has been stalled due to the very weak agricultural economy and State business climate. Lending institutions are not investing in California agriculture at the present time.		The EDC that is under contract with the County will identify if capital deficiencies exist for farmers with capital costs of shifting production nodes for crops that create higher employment levels.	<p>The EDC in working with the County will identify if capital deficiencies exist for farmers with capital costs of shifting production modes for crops that create higher employment levels.</p> <p>The EDC proactively marketed several key resources and programs that can provide farmers and food processors/producers cost saving incentives. This past year, the EDC focused on the California Energy Commission's (CEC) Food Production Investment Program, referring several eligible businesses to apply. Grants are awarded to companies who plan to upgrade their processing equipment that reduces energy consumption and GHG emissions. As a result, \$753,000 was awarded in CEC grants to area businesses to upgrade their equipment. EDC is working with the California League of Food Producers and local stakeholders on additional referrals until the program's funding expires.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>	

08 PROGRAM ED-B.A

Deliverable: Assemblage of a group of service providers to assess...
 (a) Telecommunications infrastructure needs (present and future) demanded by high technology firms, and
 (b) The role of the County in facilitating those services.

The County shall convene a group of the existing service providers to assess the current state of telecommunications infrastructure, the needs for the future, and the role of the County and other agencies in facilitating implementation of services demanded by high technology firms.

In July 2002 the Board of Supervisors created the Fresno Regional e-Government Taskforce to develop a plan for utilizing electronic information technology to improve the delivery of governmental services and to expand the opportunity for economic development. A draft cooperative agreement and a draft Fresno e-Government Strategic Plan is currently being circulated between cities in Fresno County and the Council of Fresno County Governments.

In July 2002 the Fresno Regional e-Government Taskforce was created to develop a plan for utilizing electronic information technology to improve the delivery of governmental services and to expand the opportunity for economic development. The group was instrumental in improving sharing between the County and the Cities of Fresno and Clovis. In January 2010, regular meetings were suspended due to lack of funding.

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During 2018 and 2019, the EDC helped facilitate dialogue among city managers and the County Chief Administrative Officer to discuss strategies and best practices surrounding broadband right of way and expansion.

Moreover, the EDC has remained in communication with one of the nation's largest independent fiber bandwidth providers in the United States to discuss an expansion of dark fiber for commercial and industrial users.

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09 PROGRAM ED-B.B

Deliverable: Coordination of an initiative to deliver to existing and prospective businesses a comprehensive package of technical assistance regarding available technologies.

The County shall coordinate an initiative to deliver a comprehensive package of technical assistance regarding available technology to local businesses to improve their

Ongoing -- Community Development Division staff has partnered with the Rapid Response Program (RRP) of the Greater Fresno Chamber of

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The Economic Development Corporation (EDC) works to enhance the stability and growth of Fresno County's existing companies by connecting them with specific resources, information and services with the primary objectives to assist businesses with expansions,

productivity and make this assistance available as an incentive for business prospects.	Commerce, which provides technical assistance to new and existing business to improve their productivity. The RRP is one of the implementation partners identified in the Economic Development Strategy. Activity has thus far been focused on the I-5 Business Development Corridor and the Orange Cove and Parlier Renewal Community areas.		primary objectives to assist businesses with expansions, survive economic difficulties, and make them more competitive in the wider marketplace.	<p>survive economic difficulties, and make them more competitive in the wider marketplace.</p> <p>The EDC updates its Ready2Hire jobs platform to serve its New Employment Opportunities program in partnership the County of Fresno Department of Social Services. The Ready2Hire online portal provides employers with hiring needs an intuitive platform to identify potential candidates based on unique hiring requirements and skillsets.</p> <p>EDC is also a member of Fresno4Biz which serves as a digital business resource clearinghouse to address technical assistance needs.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>
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10 PROGRAM ED-B.C

Deliverable: Creation of a roundtable of financial institutions, venture capital firms and finance agencies to determine the need for greater access to capital for existing non-agricultural businesses.				
The County shall convene a roundtable of major financial institutions, venture capital firms, and business finance agencies, such as the California Public Employees Retirement System (CALPERS), to determine the need for improving access to capital for non-agricultural businesses seeking to locate or expand in Fresno County.	Refer to Appendix B, Part II		EDC, through its Business Expansion, Attraction, and Retention (BEAR) Action Network program, works with businesses seeking to locate or expand in Fresno County and works to assist with financing and microloan programs.	<p>The Economic Development Corporation (EDC) through its Business Expansion, Attraction, and Retention (BEAR) Action Network program works with businesses seeking to locate or expand in Fresno County and works to assist with financing and microloan programs.</p> <p>In 2019, the EDC partnered with AccessPlus Capital, a federal CDFI [community development financial institution], to develop programming to be made available to small businesses with capital needs. EDC will utilize its data and outreach arm to identify companies requiring additional capital to spur growth and job creation. Program implementation is set to begin in 2020.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and</p>

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11 PROGRAM ED-B.D

Deliverable: Initiation of a planning process to identify additional recreational opportunities in the coast range foothills and other areas where “gateway opportunities” exist.					
The County shall initiate a planning process to identify additional recreation opportunities in the coast range foothills and other areas where “gateway opportunities” exist.	The Fresno County Tourism Committee has initiated meetings on the Westside to begin to identify potential recreational opportunities in the area near Coalinga.		The County recently participated in the Friant Corridor Feasibility Study to identify opportunities and constraints for possible land use changes and development activities related to recreation, resource and cultural awareness, conservation, tourism, and supportive commercial uses. On May 10, 2016 the Board of Supervisors considered the study and chose to set the study aside.		The County continues to identify recreational opportunities in the coast range foothills and other areas of the County.

12 PROGRAM ED-B.E

Deliverables: Ongoing evaluation of business marketing programs and funding of the Visitor and Convention Bureau. Investment, as appropriate, in programs that attract business travel to the county.					
The County shall regularly evaluate the marketing programs of the Visitor and Convention Bureau and provide funding assistance as appropriate to support effective marketing programs that attract business travel to the county.	In progress – The Community Development Division and CAO staff are working with the Fresno County Tourism Committee, the County’s tourism consultant, and community leaders to finalize the Master Plan for Tourism, which includes plans for funding and for realignment of the Convention & Visitor’s Bureau to enhance tourism marketing and opportunities that will attract business and recreational travel to Fresno County. The final		The County has contracted with the Fresno Economic Development Corporation to work with the Visitor and Convention Bureau to develop and implement effective marketing programs that attract business and travel to the county.		<p>The Fresno Economic Development Corporation in cooperation with the Visitor and Convention Bureau works on developing effective marketing programs that attract business and travel to the County.</p> <p>EDC coordinates with the Fresno/Clovis Convention and Visitors Bureau to ensure messaging continuity as needed. In 2019, EDC completed the 2019 Opportunity Analysis which enlisted the support of the Fresno/Clovis Convention and Visitor’s Bureau.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and</p>

	<p>plan is to be presented to Board of Supervisors in October 2002, with implementation already in progress. As a condition for the provision of an annual contribution provided by the Board of Supervisors to finance the promotion of tourism, each year the Fresno Convention and Visitors Bureau is required under contract to provide a report of promotion activities implemented by the Bureau and the results obtained through those promotions.</p>			<p>should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>	
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13 PROGRAM ED-C.A

<p>Deliverable: Collaboration with the Workforce Development Board and community colleges to develop a countywide workforce preparation system.</p>					
<p>The County shall join with the Workforce Development Board, community colleges, and others to develop a countywide workforce preparation system.</p>	<p>E&TA [Fresno County Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance] is one of 11 partners in Workforce Connection, the local one-stop center under the Workforce Investment Act, which consolidated employment and training activities. E&TA has staff co-located at 6 sites throughout the County and the E&TA Director is a member of the Workforce Investment Board. Other partners include Adult Schools, Community Colleges, government agencies and community based organizations.</p>		<p>Fresno County is an active participant on the Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board which serves to mobilize and integrate all private and public partners to effectively educate, train and place individuals with the necessary resources and skills to fulfill employer needs in the County.</p>		<p>Fresno County is an active participant on the Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board which serves to mobilize and integrate all private and public partners to effectively educate, train and place individuals with the necessary resources and skills to fulfill employer needs in the County.</p> <p>In 2019, Lee Ann Eager served as a county appointed member of the Workforce Development Board.</p>

14 PROGRAM ED-C.B

Deliverable: Development of a CalWORKs labor pool skills inventory for businesses seeking employees

<p>The County shall develop a skills inventory on the CalWORKS labor pool for local expansion and new businesses seeking employees.</p>	<p>E&TA partnered with the Employment Development Department to develop skill sets for positions in local industries. This was used as the basis for a coded skills inventory using the automated Welfare Employment Preparedness Index. This system can be queried and sorted by specific skills and can produce a list of clients meeting given criteria.</p>	<p>A skills inventory was developed for positions in local industries. This was used as the basis for a coded skills inventory using the automated Welfare Employment Preparedness Index. The system can be queried and sorted by specific skills to produce a list of clients meeting given criteria.</p>	<p>A skills inventory was developed for positions in local industries. This was used as the basis for a coded skills inventory using the automated Welfare Employment Preparedness Index. The system could then be queried and sorted by specific skills and can produce a list of clients meeting given criteria.</p> <p>The EDC routinely updates its Ready2Hire portal, which aligns the CalWORKS labor pool with employment opportunities from the EDC's client network. In 2019, EDC began preparing a comprehensive quarterly jobs analysis. The quarterly jobs report outlines top occupations in demand by number of unique job postings, employers that are hiring, and job postings ranked by wage level and growth. The analysis is also prepared at the city level, providing DSS Job Specialists and EDC Economic Development Specialists updated insights on key industries, employers and occupations actively hiring within Fresno County.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>
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15 PROGRAM ED-C.C

Deliverable: Improvement of employment and retention tracking systems for CalWORKs recipients.

<p>The County shall improve tracking systems for employment and retention for CalWORKS recipients.</p>	<p>E&TA uses an automated system developed for use by counties throughout the State to record employment information, including retention information for 30, 60 and 90 day intervals. The system produces a report used for additional follow-up.</p>	<p>The Department of Social Services uses an automated system developed for use by counties throughout the State to record employment information.</p>	<p>The Department of Social Services uses an automated system developed for use by counties throughout the State to record employment information.</p> <p>EDC has dedicated Retention Specialists who are focused on the successful retention of CalWORKS recipients participating in the New Employment Opportunities program (NEO). Once CalWORKS participants have been placed into employment through NEO, Retention Specialists conduct monthly face-to-face outreach to client businesses to evaluate the performance of the</p>
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			<p>employee and relay any concerns to DSS Job Specialists to proactively address challenges. Retention services are provided for one year following conclusion of a NEO contract.</p> <p>Moreover, EDC utilizes its pool of participating businesses and placed CalWORKS recipients to carryout program evaluation of NEO. The program evaluation allows EDC to determine the efficacy of the program, which positions and industries have experienced the most success (e.g. retention), and which are best positioned to experience growth, thus presenting additional hiring needs.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Economic Development Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>	
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16 PROGRAM ED-C.D

Deliverable: Ongoing assistance to the Economic Development Corporation (EDC), placement agencies and businesses for the assessment of the work availability and readiness of CalWORKs recipients.				
<p>The County shall continue efforts to assist the Fresno EDC, placement agencies, and businesses [to] assess the availability and work readiness of CalWORKS recipients for employment opportunities.</p>	<p>E&TA engages in a number of activities to assess our client's job readiness, including contracting with an employment agency for employment appraisals, conducting job fairs and recruitment fairs, business functions, and partnering with EDC to match employer recruiting with CalWORKs applicants.</p>		<p>The County Department of Social Services through the CalWORKS program provides services such as job clubs, job fairs, participant assessments, adult basic education and vocational training. The County is also an active participant on the Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board which serves to mobilize and integrate all private and public partners to effectively educate, train and place individuals with the necessary resources and skills to fulfill employer needs.</p>	<p>The County Department of Social Services through the CalWORKS program provides services such as job clubs, job fairs, participant assessments, adult basic education and vocational training. The County is also an active participant on the Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board which serves to mobilize and integrate all private and public partners to effectively educate, train and place individuals with the necessary resources and skills to fulfill employer needs.</p> <p>The EDC worked collaboratively with the County of Fresno to prepare CalWORKS recipients for employment opportunities. Twelve job fairs were attended on behalf of DSS and one specialized recruitment event was carried out on behalf of companies with hiring needs. During this past year, five cohorts of the Truck Drivers Training Program were held, graduating 38 CalWORKS recipients and placing 36 into employment. Moreover, 31 CalWORKS recipients completed the Valley Apprenticeship Connections program with 33 graduating and finding employment</p>

				<p>(some graduates from the previous year were also placed into employment).</p> <p>In October, the EDC partnered with the City of Fresno in hosting a job fair in South Fresno, where over a dozen employers and 400 jobseekers participated.</p>	
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17 PROGRAM ED-C.E

<p>Deliverable: Ongoing collaboration with educational agencies and institutions, as well as the cities, to plan and fund a wide variety of services designed to promote employment.</p>					
<p>The County shall continue its collaborative planning and funding efforts with agencies such as the County Office of Education, State EDD, local school districts, post-secondary educational institutions, training agencies, and the cities. Such efforts may include education management services, employment placement services, relocation and retention programs, youth employment programs, jobs clubs, and neighborhood jobs services.</p>	<p>E&TA continues to fund the Fresno County Office of Education for management services to provide supplemental funding to local Adult Schools. In addition, Adult Schools receive funding for Job Clubs; EDD staff is co-located to provide CalJOBS assistance, job announcements and Community Service certifications.</p>		<p>The County Department of Social Services through the CalWORKS program provides services such as job clubs, job fairs, participant assessments, adult basic education and vocational training. The County is also an active participant on the Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board which serves to mobilize and integrate all private and public partners to effectively educate, train and place individuals with the necessary resources and skills to fulfill employer needs.</p>		<p>The County Department of Social Services through the CalWORKS program provides services such as job clubs, job fairs, participant assessments, adult basic education and vocational training. The County is also an active participant on the Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board which serves to mobilize and integrate all private and public partners to effectively educate, train and place individuals with the necessary resources and skills to fulfill employer needs.</p> <p>In addition to EDC staff's participation on behalf of the County on the Workforce Development Board, EDC staff serves on Fresno Unified School District's Career Technical Advisory Board where they help share industry insights and hiring needs. Moreover, EDC staff remains an active participant with the San Joaquin Valley Manufacturing Alliance which aims to upskill and train future workers for key manufacturing-based jobs.</p>

18 PROGRAM ED-C.F

<p>Deliverable: Ongoing identification of employee skills required by the business clusters and industries targeted for expansion, attraction and development.</p>					
<p>The County shall continue, on an ongoing basis, efforts initiated through the CalWORKS Job Creation Investment Fund to identify the skills required by the clusters</p>	<p>E&TA partnered with the Employment Development Department to develop skill sets for positions in local industries. This was used as the basis for a coded</p>		<p>The Fresno County Workforce Investment Board, the Employment Development Department and the Economic Development Corporation assist Fresno employers in meeting</p>		<p>The Fresno County Workforce Investment Board, the Employment Development Department and the Economic Development Corporation assist Fresno employers in meeting their labor needs by delivering outplacement, recruitment and training services.</p>

and industries targeted for expansion, attraction, and new enterprise development.	skills inventory using the automated Welfare Employment Preparedness Index. This system can be queried and sorted by specific skills and can produce a list of clients meeting given criteria. E&TA works closely with EDC to connect qualified clients with targeted industries for attraction and expansion.		their labor needs by delivering outplacement, recruitment and training services.		2019 was a very successful year for the New Employment Opportunities program. In 2018, the EDC and County of Fresno received recognition with the International Economic Development Council's Gold Award for Best Programs. 192 businesses participated in NEO, 284 subsidized job placements were made with a 94% retention rate in addition to 74 unsubsidized job placements.	
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COUNTY COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO IMPLEMENT THE AGRICULTURE AND LAND USE ELEMENT

**DIRECTIVE IN THE
2000 GENERAL PLAN**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE 2001/2002 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE DRAFT 2015 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN THE
DRAFT 2019 APR**



19 PROGRAM LU-A.A

Deliverable: Amendment of the Zoning Ordinance to ensure conformity with the Agriculture and Land Use Element of the 2000 update of the General Plan

The County shall review and amend its Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances to ensure consistency with policies and standards of this section.

Sections 816 and 817 of the Fresno County Zoning Ordinance have been amended to implement General Plan Policies establishing limitations regarding exception provisions for creation of homesite parcels and limitations regarding the number of residences permitted on each parcel. Staff will undertake evaluation of applicable Subdivision Ordinance provisions and recommend modifications accordingly.

The County actively reviews and updates its Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance to ensure consistency with the policies of the General Plan. The County completed a text amendment in 2015 to update its Zoning Ordinance to comply with requirements of state law as part of the 4th-Cycle Housing Element update. The County is also actively working on a comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Update scheduled to be presented to decision-makers in 2017.

The County has undertaken the comprehensive update of its Zoning Ordinance to ensure consistency between the Zoning Ordinance and the General Plan. The County continues to amend its Subdivision Ordinance to ensure consistency of the Ordinance with the policies of the General Plan.

20 PROGRAM LU-A.B

Deliverables: Evaluation of minimum parcel sizes necessary for sustained agriculture.
Amendment of the Zoning Ordinance, as appropriate, to incorporate the results of the evaluation.

The County shall evaluate minimum parcel sizes necessary for sustained agricultural productivity on land

FUTURE YEAR - Proposals to eliminate Williamson Act subvention funding have prompted evaluation

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designated for agriculture throughout the county, and, as appropriate, amend the Zoning Ordinance according to the results of that analysis.	of minimum parcel sizes necessary for sustained agricultural productivity, which could result in amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.		in areas designated Agriculture, except as provided in Policies LU-A.9, LU-A.10 and LU-A.11. The County may require parcel sizes larger than twenty (20) acres based on zoning, local agricultural conditions, and to help ensure the viability of agricultural operations.		LU-A.11. The County may require parcel sizes larger than twenty (20) acres based on zoning, local agricultural conditions, and to help ensure the viability of agricultural operations.
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21 PROGRAM LU-A.C

Deliverable: Development of a set of guidelines for the design and maintenance of agricultural buffers for new non-agricultural uses in agricultural areas.					
<p>The County shall develop and implement guidelines for design and maintenance of buffers to be required when new non-agricultural uses are approved in agricultural areas. Buffer design and maintenance guidelines shall include, but not be limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Buffers shall be physically and biologically designed to avoid conflicts between agriculture and non-agricultural uses. b. Buffers shall be located on the parcel for which a permit is sought and shall protect the maximum amount of farmable land. c. Buffers generally shall consist of a physical separation between agricultural and non-agricultural uses. The appropriate width shall be determined on a site-by-site basis taking into account the type of existing agricultural uses, the nature of the proposed development, the natural features 	<p>Future Year Program. Currently, discretionary applications in the agricultural areas are reviewed for compatibility with adjacent land uses. Conditions requiring setbacks, landscaping, etc. are recommended on projects as applicable.</p>		<p>The County requires buffers for certain land uses with the potential to hinder agricultural uses. For discretionary land use proposals including tentative tract maps, buffers are taken into consideration as part of project conditions. This has also been applied to utility-scale photovoltaic solar facilities with a general policy of 50 feet between panels or structures and surrounding agricultural properties.</p>		<p>The County requires buffers for certain land uses with the potential to hinder agricultural uses. For discretionary land use proposals including tentative tract maps, buffers are taken into consideration as part of project conditions. This has also been applied to utility-scale photovoltaic solar facilities with a general policy of 50 feet between panels or structures and surrounding agricultural properties.</p>

<p>of the site, and any other factors that affect the specific situation.</p> <p>d. Appropriate types of land uses for buffers include compatible agriculture, open space and recreational uses such as parks and golf courses, industrial uses, and cemeteries.</p> <p>e. The County may condition its approval of a project on the ongoing maintenance of buffers.</p> <p>f. A homeowners association or other appropriate entity shall be required to maintain buffers to control litter, fire hazards, pests, and other maintenance problems.</p> <p>g. Buffer restrictions may be removed if agricultural uses on all adjacent parcels have permanently ceased.</p>				
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22 PROGRAM LU-A.D

Deliverable: Periodic assessment of the effectiveness of agricultural land preservation programs in furthering County agricultural goals and policies.				
<p>The County shall periodically review agricultural land preservation programs and assess their effectiveness in furthering the County's agricultural goals and policies.</p>	<p>Reviews carried out in FY 00-01 and 01-02. The first review focused on the Farmland Security Zone program and inclusion of grazing land; subsequent reviews have focused on potential effects of the State budget proposal to remove subvention funds.</p>		<p>The Department of Public Works and Planning actively reviews the Williamson Act Program including proactively reviewing (auditing) contracts for conformity with the State and County requirements and processing non-renewals for those contracts that do not meet the eligibility to remain in the Williamson Act Program. Staff also communicates with the State Department of Conservation on petitions for cancellations of contract and the County continues to utilize the Agricultural Land Conservation Committee to review</p>	<p>The Williamson Act Program (Program) and placing agricultural land under conservation easement are two effective methods for preservation of agricultural land. The Department of Public Works and Planning audits the Williamson Act contracts for conformity with the State and County requirements when an applicant or a landowner submits a development application or a building permit request. Parcels that no longer meet the eligibility requirements to remain in the Program will be removed from the Program. County staff does its due diligence and works with the State Department of Conservation on petitions for cancellation of contracts, continues to utilize the Agricultural Land Conservation Committee to review cancellation petitions, and forwards the Committee's recommendations to the Board of Supervisors (see Policy LU-A.F).</p>

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23 PROGRAM LU-A.E

Deliverables: Ongoing implementation of the County's Right-to-Farm Ordinance.

Dissemination of information to the real estate industry to make the public aware of the Right-to-Farm Ordinance.

The County shall continue to implement the County's Right-to-Farm Ordinance, and will provide information to the local real estate industry to help make the public aware of the right-to-farm provisions in their area.	Copies of "Right to Farm" ordinances have been obtained from all counties and are being reviewed. Identification of participants in an ordinance improvement committee is commencing.	County staff utilizes the Right-to-Farm Ordinance notification process on many types of discretionary land use permits to insure that applicants or future property owners are aware of ongoing agricultural activities within the vicinity of discretionary projects. Further, County staff actively communicates with the Agricultural Commissioner's Office on discretionary projects proposed in agricultural areas and seeks comments from that Department.	The County staff utilizes the Right-to-Farm Ordinance notification process on many types of discretionary land use permits to insure that applicants or future property owners are aware of ongoing agricultural activities within the vicinity of developments approved via a discretionary approval process. Further, County staff actively communicates with the Agricultural Commissioner's Office on discretionary projects proposed in agricultural areas and seeks comments from that Department.
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24 PROGRAM LU-A.F

Deliverable: In cooperation with various agencies, the development and implementation of a public outreach program on the advantages of participation in agricultural land conservation programs.

The County, in cooperation with UC Cooperative Extension, resource conservation districts, and other industry agencies, shall develop and implement a public outreach program to inform agriculturists and the public of the advantages of participation in land trust agreements, conservation easements, dedication incentives,	The Agricultural Department attends Fresno County Farm Bureau meetings and Agricultural Roundtable meeting and discusses Williamson Act contracts and land conservation programs. The Department of Public Works and Planning updates program-mailing materials each year in conjunction with the annual acceptance of	The Board of Supervisors has adopted Resolutions of Support for land owners who wish to place their land under conservation easement. In 2015, the Board adopted one Resolution to place a 56-acre parcel in a conservation easement and in 2014 the Board adopted two Resolutions to place a total of 309 acres in a conservation easement.	The Board of Supervisors has adopted Resolutions of Support for land owners who wish to place their land under conservation easement. In 2017, the Board adopted a Resolution to place 642 acres in a conservation easement. In 2015, the Board adopted one Resolution to place a 56-acre parcel in a conservation easement and in 2014 the Board adopted two Resolutions to place a total of 309 acres in a conservation easement. As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Land Use Element are being reviewed to
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Williamson Act contracts, Farmland Security Act contracts, and the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program Fund.	applications for participation in the County's Agricultural Land Conservation Program. Outreach to the Farm Bureau and rural community newspapers is conducted at that time. Throughout the year staff make referrals to the Department of Conservation and farmland trust organizations to promote participation in the County's program.			determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted or revised.	
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25 PROGRAM LU-A.G

Deliverable: The active search for grants for conservation easements under the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program Act of 1995.					
The County shall actively pursue grant funds under provisions of the Agricultural Land Stewardship Program Act of 1995, to assist interested farmers and ranchers in obtaining funds for conservation easements.	County efforts to date have included support findings for four applications for conservation easements funded through the American Farmland Trust and the Cattlemen's Association.		The Board of Supervisors has adopted Resolutions of Support for land owners who wish to place their land under conservation easement. In 2015, the Board adopted one Resolution to place a 56-acre parcel in a conservation easement and in 2014 the Board adopted two Resolutions to place a total of 309 acres in a conservation easement. The Resolutions adopted by the Board in 2014 and 2015 were in support of obtaining grants from the Department of Conservation for placing certain parcels under conservation easement.		The Board of Supervisors continues to support land owners who wish to place their land under conservation easement, provided that the proposals meet certain required criteria.

26 PROGRAM LU-A.H

Deliverable: Creation of a program to establish criteria for prioritizing funding for agricultural conservation easements.				
The County shall develop a program establishing criteria to prioritize funding for agricultural conservation easements.	The County is now using the State's criteria for its review of proposals for conservation easements. Additional criteria would most effectively be created at such time as the County may administer funding programs.		The County uses the State's criteria in its review of proposals for support of landowners' requests for a Resolution of Support to obtain grants to place agricultural land under conservation easements.	<p>The County uses the State's criteria in its review of proposals submitted by landowners requesting a Resolution of Support to obtain grants to place agricultural land under conservation easements.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of the Land Use Element are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted or revised.</p>

27 PROGRAM LU-A.I

Deliverables: Assessment of... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Approaches to determining agricultural land values in the 1981 Farmland Protection Policy Act land evaluation and site assessment (LESA) system and the 1975 Tulare County Rural Valley Lands Plan, and (b) The potential for developing a similar Process for Fresno County. Establishment, if appropriate, of an agriculture quality scale system to assist in making land use conversion decisions.				
The County shall assess the approaches to determining agricultural land values in the 1981 Farmland Protection Policy Act land evaluation and site assessment (LESA) system, and the Tulare County Rural Valley Lands Plan, 1975 amendment, to determine the potential for developing a similar process for identifying and ranking the value of agricultural land in Fresno County. If appropriate, the County shall establish an agricultural quality scale system to assist the Planning Commission and	Future fiscal year activity		The County has not yet assessed utilizing an agricultural quality scale system similar to LESA to establish a threshold as part of evaluation of converting agricultural land to non-agricultural uses. However, the impacts of projects on ag land are analyzed for projects that may have a potential impact on conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses as part of the environmental assessment of discretionary projects.	The County has not assessed utilizing an agricultural quality scale system similar to LESA as part of the evaluation process of converting agricultural land to non-agricultural uses. However, the impacts of projects on agricultural lands are analyzed for projects that may have a potential impact on conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses as part of the environmental assessment of discretionary projects.

28 PROGRAM LU-A.J

Deliverables: Maintenance of an inventory of lot size exceptions for agricultural areas granted by discretionary permit.
Presentation of the inventory to the Board of Supervisors during the annual review of the General Plan.

The County shall maintain an inventory of lot size exceptions granted by discretionary permit. This inventory, including number of exceptions, size of the lots, and their location, shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors during the annual review of the General Plan.

The Current Planning Unit presently maintains this information. Since the adoption of the General Plan Update in October 2000, there have been seven applications heard by a decision making body to allow exceptions to the required parcel size in the areas designated Agriculture. Of these applications, six have been approved. This number does not include those applications filed and approved which qualified under the homesite exception provisions of the General Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

During 2015 seven lot size exceptions were granted through provisions outlined in Policy LU-A.9. In addition, five lot size exceptions, specific to agricultural zoning, were granted through variance applications approved by the decision-making bodies. A list of the exceptions granted is included on Page 19 of the 2015 General Plan Annual Progress Report.

During the 2019 calendar year, two lot size exceptions were granted through provisions outlined in Policy LU-A.9. In addition, two lot size exceptions, specific to agricultural zoning, were granted through a variance application approved by the decision-making body. A list of the exceptions granted is included on Page 10 of the 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report and a map illustrating the locations of the exceptions is included on page 11 of said Report.

29 PROGRAM LU-B.A

Deliverables: Maintenance of an inventory of lot size exceptions for Westside rangelands granted by discretionary permit.
Presentation of the inventory to the Board of Supervisors during the annual review of the General Plan.

The County shall maintain an inventory of lot size exceptions granted by discretionary permit. This inventory, including numbers of exceptions, size of the lots, and their location shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors during the annual review of the General Plan.

The Current Planning Unit presently maintains this information. Since the adoption of the General Plan Update in October 2000, there has been one application heard by a decision making body to allow exceptions to the required parcel size in the areas designated Westside Rangeland. This

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30 PROGRAM LU-C.A

Deliverable: Update of the Kings River Regional Plan.					
The County will update and maintain the Kings River Regional Plan to guide County decision-making concerning land use and environmental quality within the Kings River influence area.	No activity to date on the updating of the Kings River Regional Plan. A prioritization plan will be presented to the Board in conjunction with the 2002 Annual Report.		Due to budgetary constraints and timing of other plan updates, implementation of this program has been delayed. Some renewed interest in updating the plan has arisen with public interest in surface mining projects on the Kings River.		Due to budgetary constraints and timing of other plan updates, implementation of this program has been delayed. There has been some renewed interest in updating the plan, which has arisen with public interest in surface mining projects on the Kings River.

31 PROGRAM LU-C.B

Deliverable: Evidence of working with the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust (Parkway Trust), San Joaquin River Conservancy (Conservancy), City of Fresno and other agencies and organizations to implement the San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan.					
The County shall work with the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, San Joaquin River Conservancy, City of Fresno, and other interested agencies and organizations to implement the San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan.	The Current Planning Unit currently routes projects to the river groups when located in/adjacent to these areas. Staff also discusses with applicants the implications of developing in the River Overlay area at the pre-application stage. In addition to this staff of the Department of Public Works and Planning attend meetings of the San Joaquin River Conservancy to be current on parkway activities.		The Recompile San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan was approved and adopted by the San Joaquin River Conservancy Governing Board on July 20, 2000. The San Joaquin River Conservancy started the process of updating the San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan in June of 2013 that includes an update of policies and planned facilities, and the preparation of a Master EIR. The County has been participating as a member of the		The Recompile San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan was approved and adopted by the San Joaquin River Conservancy Governing Board on July 20, 2000. The San Joaquin River Conservancy (SJRC) started the process of updating the San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan in June of 2013 that includes an update of policies and planned facilities, and the preparation of a Master EIR. The SJRC Board approved the Master Plan update and the Final EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2013061035) on April 11, 2018. The SJRC will be working with the Department of Public Works and Planning, Resources Division, Parks (County Parks) for the completion of the Lost Lake Master Plan. The County has been participating as a member of the Interagency Project Development Committee.

		Interagency Project Development Committee. The County also regularly coordinates with the interested agencies/stakeholders with regard to project reviews to discuss and minimize possible project impacts to river resources.		The County also regularly coordinates with the interested agencies/stakeholders with regard to project reviews to discuss and minimize possible project impacts to river resources.	
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32 PROGRAM LU-D.A

Deliverable: Amendment of the Zoning Ordinance to implement revisions of the General Plan concerning the Westside Freeway Corridor.					
The County shall revise its Zoning Ordinance to implement the revised provisions of this section concerning the Westside Freeway Corridor.	The Zoning Ordinance has been amended to establish the process for designation of major and minor interchanges along the Westside Freeway Corridor. Since the General Plan update, the Board has designated a minor interchange at Lassen Avenue and I-5. Ongoing work relates to expansion of the permitted uses to include value added agriculture and potential application of an overlay zone.		Revisions to the County Zoning Ordinance were approved March 27, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors to implement the revised provisions of this section concerning the Westside Freeway Corridor with approval of Amendment to Text (AT) No. 337 and subsequently amended with AT No. 352 in 2004. Therefore, this program has been implemented.		Revisions to the County Zoning Ordinance were approved March 27, 2001 by the Board of Supervisors to implement the revised provisions of this section concerning the Westside Freeway Corridor with approval of Amendment to Text (AT) No. 337, and subsequently amended with AT No. 352 in 2004. Therefore, this program has been implemented and will be removed.

33 PROGRAM LU-F.A

Deliverable: In cooperation with county's 15 cities, as appropriate, adoption of incentives/disincentives to support compact urban development and infill.					
The County shall work with the Cities of Clovis and Fresno and other cities as appropriate to adopt incentives and disincentives that will lead to compact urban development and infill of vacant and underutilized land.	Negotiations on the new Tax Sharing Agreement with the City of Fresno included evaluation of new growth areas for the City and incentives for development and infill of vacant and underutilized land. A new Tax Sharing Agreement was executed with the City of Clovis in		The County partnered with twelve of the fifteen cities within Fresno County, including the City of Clovis, to create a multi-jurisdictional Housing Element that includes incentives and disincentives that encourage compact urban development. The MOUs between		The County's General Plan and the General Plan of the cities of Fresno and Clovis include policies that promote infill of vacant and underutilized land. Also, the cost of providing urban services to suburbs is a disincentive that has motivated several cities to pursue infill development over annexation of new territory.

	<p>June 2002. The MOU update with the City of Clovis created incentives and disincentives which direct growth to the cities. Two examples are the application of city development fees to unincorporated sites proposed for development and the stipulation of a percentage of development that must occur before development proceeds in other areas. Agreements with other cities will be renegotiated as they become due for renewal. Other work on this implementation program to date has included participation on the technical committees for the City of Fresno General Plan Update and the City of Clovis Southeast Urban Center Specific Plan. Other work will be carried out in conjunction with the updating of community plans.</p>		<p>the County and the cities provide a check and balance system to ensure that development of annexed land is imminent. Also, the cost of providing urban services to suburbs is a disincentive that has motivated several cities to pursue infill development over annexation of new territory. County staff continues to refer to General Plan policies that direct intensive urban growth to the cities (and unincorporated communities) and reviews relevant policies when processing discretionary land use permits.</p>		
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34 PROGRAM LU-F.B

<p>Deliverable: Amendment of the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance to implement revisions of the General Plan concerning pedestrian and transit-oriented development.</p>					
<p>The County shall review its Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance to incorporate amendments that will implement the policies for pedestrian and transit-oriented development.</p>	<p>The implementation of this policy will require the adoption of new ordinances and modification of the existing Zoning Ordinance. The comprehensive update of the Zoning Ordinance was not included in the FY02-03 budget.</p>		<p>The County has reviewed the Zoning Ordinance and has initiated an Ordinance Update. On October 13, 2015, the Board of Supervisors considered and approved the scope of work prepared for the General Plan Five-Year Review, Zoning Ordinance Update and the associated Environmental Impact Report. The updated Zoning Ordinance will include provisions for mixed uses and pedestrian and transit-oriented developments.</p>		<p>The County is in the process of updating its Zoning Ordinance which will include provisions for mixed uses and pedestrian and transit-oriented developments.</p>

35 PROGRAM LU-G.A

Deliverable: Amendment of the Zoning Ordinance, as appropriate, to facilitate moderate increases in housing density in unincorporated urban communities.				
The County shall review and revise, as appropriate, its Zoning Ordinance to facilitate moderate increases in density of housing in unincorporated urban communities.	To be reviewed under the Community and Regional Plan updates, and the comprehensive update of the Zoning Ordinance.		The County is in the process of reviewing the General Plan Policy document and updating its Zoning Ordinance. As part of the revision and update process the allowable density in the R2, R2-A, R3, R3-A, R4, C4 and RP Zone Districts is proposed to be increased to 20 units per acre. The update is expected to be completed in 2017 and to be presented before decision-makers.	The County is in the process of Reviewing and Revision of its General Plan and updating its Zoning Ordinance. As part of the revision and update process the allowable density in the R2, R2-A, R3, R3-A, R4, C4 and RP Zone Districts is proposed to be increased to 20 units per acre.

36 PROGRAM LU-G.B

Deliverables: Review of annexation proposals submitted by the Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo). Formal protest when annexations are inconsistent with either the cities' general plans or the County's General Plan.				
The County shall review all annexation proposals submitted to the Local Agency Formation Commission and prepare a recommendation to LAFCO for each proposal. The County shall formally protest when the annexation is inconsistent with city's adopted general plan or with the County's General Plan or applicable community plan.	The County reviews annexation proposals under provisions of the adopted Memoranda of Understanding and through the LAFCo process. To date all proposed annexations have been within the adopted spheres of influence and have been consistent with the applicable city general plans. The process relies on the annexation's consistency with the cities adopted general plans since County-adopted community plans of the incorporated cities have not been updated.		The Department of Public Works and Planning reviews annexation proposals submitted by LAFCo to ensure consistency of the proposals with the City and County General Plans and the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and each City. A consistency determination letter is provided for each annexation proposal found to be consistent. During 2015 the County reviewed 14 annexation proposals submitted by LAFCo.	The Department of Public Works and Planning staff reviews annexation proposals submitted by cities to ensure consistency of the proposals with the City and County General Plans and the Memorandum of Understanding between the County and each City.

37 PROGRAM LU-H.A

Deliverable: Adoption of a Friant-Millerton Area Regional Plan consistent with directives in Policy LU-H.8.				
The County shall prepare and adopt a regional plan for the Friant-Millerton area consistent with the directives of Policy LU-H.8.	Work has not progressed on the new regional plan. A priority list will be reviewed with the Planning Commission in conjunction with the Annual Report and then submitted to the Board of Supervisors for its direction to staff.		This program has been suspended pending additional Board direction.	This program has been suspended pending additional Board direction.

38 PROGRAM LU-H.B

Deliverables: Regular meetings with the county's 15 cities and adjacent counties to address planning and growth issues of common interest. Annual report on cooperative planning efforts of the previous year and the planned schedule of meetings for the upcoming year.				
County Staff shall meet regularly with cities and adjacent counties to address planning and growth issues of common interest and concern. Staff shall report annually on cooperative planning efforts of the previous year and the planned schedule of meetings with local jurisdictions to address regional planning issues in the upcoming year.	Work since the adoption of the General Plan Update has been focused on MOUs with Clovis and Fresno. Preparation of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan by COG involved all the cities in the technical committee. That plan was adopted in September 2001.		Efforts that began in 2014 culminated into a January 27, 2015 joint meeting between the Madera County Board of Supervisors and the Fresno County Board of Supervisors at the Fresno Council of Governments (Fresno COG). Topics discussed at the joint meeting included development and land use vision in the Rio Mesa area and Friant Corridor, Fresno County/Madera County Highway 41 Origin-Destination Study, and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA). On June 22, 2015 a joint meeting between the Board of Supervisors and representatives of all 15 incorporated cities within the County was held at the Fresno COG.	Efforts that began in 2014 culminated with a January 27, 2015 joint meeting between the Madera County Board of Supervisors and the Fresno County Board of Supervisors at the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG). Topics discussed at the joint meeting included development and land use vision in the Rio Mesa area and Friant Corridor, Fresno County/Madera County Highway 41 Origin-Destination Study, and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA). On June 22, 2015, a joint meeting between the Board of Supervisors and representatives of all 15 incorporated cities within the County was held at the FCOG. Topics discussed included SGMA, Marijuana Ordinances, land use and preservation and special districts. On November 17, 2015, a joint meeting between the Board of Supervisors and the representatives from the Cities of Clovis, Fowler, Fresno and Sanger was held at the FCOG. Topics discussed included industrial parks, spheres of influence and SGMA.

		<p>Topics discussed included SGMA, Marijuana Ordinances, land use and preservation and special districts.</p> <p>On November 17, 2015 a joint meeting between the Board of Supervisors and the representatives from the cities of Clovis, Fowler, Fresno and Sanger was held at the Fresno COG. Topics discussed included industrial parks, spheres of influence and SGMA.</p>	<p>On May 30, 2017, a joint meeting between the Board of Supervisors and representatives from the City of Fresno was held at Fresno City Hall. Topics discussed included emergency coordination/public safety, ShotSpotter technology expansion, Marijuana Ordinances and animal control.</p> <p>There are efforts underway for the Board of Supervisors and the Fresno City Council to meet periodically to discuss regional issues.</p>	
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39 PROGRAM LU-H.C

Deliverable: Creation of a set of guidelines for updating or creating land use plans.				
The County shall prepare and adopt minimum format and content guidelines for the preparation of updated and new Regional, community, and specific plans to ensure consistency with the countywide General Plan.	The draft format and content guidelines have been prepared and will be presented in conjunction with the Annual Report.		The County has prepared a format and guideline for updating existing plans and preparing new regional and community plans.	<p>The County has prepared a format and guideline for new and updates to existing plans. This program has been implemented and will be deleted.</p>

40 PROGRAM LU-H.D

Deliverable: Annual report on the General Plan from the Planning Commission to the Board of Supervisors... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Focusing principally on actions undertaken in the previous year to carry out General Plan programs, (b) Recommending, as appropriate, amendments to the General Plan, and (c) Satisfying the environmental requirements of Public Resources Code 21081.6 for a mitigation monitoring program. 				
The Planning Commission shall review the General Plan annually, focusing principally on actions undertaken in the previous year to carry out the implementation programs of the plan. The Planning	Staff is preparing the Annual Report for review by the Planning Commission and acceptance by the Board pursuant to this implementation program.		The Public Works and Planning Department presented the 2014 General Plan Annual Progress Report to the Planning Commission on February 26, 2015 and to the Board on March 24, 2015. The	<p>The Public Works and Planning Department prepares and presents the General Plan Annual Progress Report (APR) for the previous calendar year to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.</p>

Commission's report to the Board of Supervisors shall include, as the Commission deems appropriate, recommendations for amendments to the General Plan. This review shall also be used to satisfy the requirements of Public Resources Code 21081.6 for a mitigation monitoring program.			preparation of this Annual Report which focuses principally on actions undertaken during 2015 to carry out the implementation programs of the General Plan meets the requirements of this program and is being presented to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors.		
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41 PROGRAM LU-H.E

<p>Deliverables: Every 5 years, a major review of the General Plan, including the General Plan Background Report and Policy Document. Revision of the General Plan every 5 years as necessary.</p>					
The County shall conduct a major review of the General Plan, including General Plan Policy Document and Background Report, every five years and revise it as deemed necessary.	Future year activity.		The County initiated the General Plan review in 2006 and has been working on this effort since that time. On September 22, 2015 the Board of Supervisors accepted the scope of work and authorized the Chairman to execute a Consultant Agreement with the consulting firm of Mintier-Harnish to provide planning and environmental consulting services for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan Five-Year Review and Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Update.		The County is currently working on the Review of the General Plan documents. On September 22, 2015 the Board of Supervisors accepted the scope of work and authorized the Chairman to execute a Consultant Agreement with the consulting firm of Mintier-Harnish to provide planning and environmental consulting services for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan Review and Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Update.

42 PROGRAM LU-H.F

Deliverable: Comprehensive amendment of the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map to ensure conformity with new policies and standards in the 2000 update of the General Plan.

<p>The County shall comprehensively review and amend as necessary the Zoning Ordinance text and Zoning Map to reflect new policies and standards included in the General Plan during the 2000 update.</p>	<p>Portions of the Zoning Ordinance have been amended to address parcel size exceptions and density standard, consistent with the 2000 update. Additional amendments will be processed in future years, as necessary, to implement General Plan Policies.</p>	<p>The Zoning Ordinance has been amended to incorporate the policies of the 2000 General Plan Update. The County initiated the Zoning Ordinance Update in 2006 and has been working on this effort since that time. On September 22, 2015 the Board of Supervisors accepted the scope of work and authorized the Chairman to execute a Consultant Agreement with the consulting firm of Mintier-Harnish to provide planning and environmental consulting services for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan Five-Year Review and Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Update.</p>	<p>The Zoning Ordinance has been amended to incorporate the policies of the 2000 General Plan Update. The County is currently working on the update of the Zoning Ordinance along with the Review and Revision of General Plan documents. On September 22, 2015, the Board of Supervisors accepted the scope of work and authorized the Chairman to execute a Consultant Agreement with the consulting firm of Mintier-Harnish to provide planning and environmental consulting services for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Review and Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Update.</p>
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COUNTY COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO IMPLEMENT THE TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION ELEMENT

**DIRECTIVE IN THE
2000 GENERAL PLAN**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE 2001/2002 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE DRAFT 2015 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN THE
DRAFT 2019 APR**



43 PROGRAM TR-A.A

Deliverable: At least every 5 years, update of the County's Road Improvement Program (RIP), which prioritizes operational and safety improvements, maintenance, rehabilitation and reconstruction of the road system in unincorporated Fresno County.

The County shall prepare and adopt a priority list of street and highway improvements for the Road Improvement Program (RIP) based on a horizon of at least seven (7) years. The Board of Supervisors shall update the RIP every five (5) years, or more frequently as recommended by the responsible departments. The RIP shall program maintenance and rehabilitation, reconstruction, capacity, operational, safety improvements, and specific plan lines on a prioritized basis. The RIP shall be coordinated with the five (5) year major review of the General Plan and shall be included in the annual General Plan review.

Staff is working on development of an update to the 1997-2004 Road Improvement Program. Funding changes are being evaluated. Completion was delayed due to budget constraints and vacant positions. A draft Road Improvement Program update is expected to be ready for Board consideration in January 2003.

On April 7, 2015 the County Board of Supervisors approved the Fresno County Road Improvement Program (RIP). The RIP identified anticipated revenues and defined the areas of road program emphasis as well as specific planned projects over a five-year period.

The Road Improvement Program (RIP) is a multi-year maintenance and construction programming plan and reflects the County's efforts to protect and improve the public investment in the County road system and to provide for the safe and efficient movement of people and commodities. The RIP identifies maintenance funding levels and specific projects expected to be delivered within a defined time frame. The funding in the RIP reflects current and projected budgets and the RIP also identifies, but does not fund, a number of recommended projects that are necessary for an improved County road and bridge system. These prospective projects are described in a series of appendices to the RIP. The types of projects in the RIP include bridge replacement/repair, road reconstruction, traffic signals, shoulder widening, and pavement repair.

The RIP was last updated on September 10, 2019.

44 PROGRAM TR-A.B

Deliverable: Consideration of the adoption of a traffic fee ordinance to achieve the adopted level of service (LOS) and preserve the structural integrity of the County's road system based on a twenty (20) year time horizon.				
<p>The County shall consider adopting a traffic impact fee ordinance for areas outside the spheres of influence of cities in the county. The traffic fees should be designed to achieve the adopted LOS and preserve structural integrity based on a twenty (20) year time horizon. The traffic mitigation fees should be updated at least every five years, or concurrently with the approval of any significant modification of the land use allocation used to develop the fees. The County shall require new development within the spheres of influence of cities in the county to pay the traffic impact fees of those cities.</p>	<p>Current traffic mitigation practices continue on a site and project-specific basis. A report identifying the basic requirements for a regional fee program has been provided to the Board for its consideration. The County is also a supporting partner in a Council of Fresno County Governments' application for a 2001/02 State Partnership Planning grant, to evaluate freeway and interchange needs in the greater Fresno-Clovis-Madera metropolitan areas. This study will provide baseline information needed to develop a multi-jurisdictional regional impact fee nexus study for State highway improvements.</p>		<p>A traffic impact fee has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors. However, on February 2, 2015, the Board of Supervisors conducted a second public hearing to consider an amendment to repeal the Public Facilities Impact Fees Ordinance in its entirety. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board decided to continue suspension of the impact fees and directed Staff to return to the Board in two years.</p>	<p>A traffic impact fee has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors. However, on May 19, 2015, the Board of Supervisors conducted a public hearing to consider an amendment to repeal the Public Facilities Impact Fees Ordinance in its entirety. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board decided to continue suspension of the impact fees to November 9, 2017 and directed Staff to return to the Board with a workshop on the County's Facility Impact Fees and provide options for the Board to consider. On October 31, 2017, the Board of Supervisors conducted the second public hearing to consider an amendment to the County Ordinance for Public Facilities Impact Fees. On October 9, 2018, the Board voted to discontinue public facilities impact fees established in 2008, but maintain authorization to establish new public facilities impact fees in the future.</p>

45 PROGRAM TR-A.C

Deliverable: Ongoing pursuit of new funding sources for transportation improvements.				
<p>The County shall continue to identify and pursue appropriate new funding sources for transportation improvements. Grant funds from regional, State, and Federal agencies should be pursued and utilized when compatible with the General Plan policies and long-term local funding capabilities.</p>	<p>The Staff continually monitors sources of funding for applicability for the County.</p>		<p>The County continues to pursue funding for transportation improvements through the Fresno Council of Governments.</p>	<p>The County continues to pursue funding for transportation improvements in working with the Fresno Council of Governments.</p>

46 PROGRAM TR-A.D

Deliverable: Coordination of transportation planning with the Fresno Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), Caltrans, the cities and neighboring counties.

The County shall coordinate its transportation planning with the Council of Fresno County Governments, Caltrans, [and] cities within the county, and adjacent jurisdictions.	Public Works and Planning staff participate in the following: COFCG Transportation Technical Committee; COFCG Model Steering Committee "COFCG Regional Transportation Plan Steering Committee "COFCG TEA-221 Steering Committee, COFCG Regional Trails Plan Steering Committee; COFCG East-West Corridor Steering Committee; COFCG Freight Advisory Committee; Fresno Area Regional Collaborative Land Use/Transportation Committee; Caltrans Project Development Teams for the SR 180 west extension, SR 180 east, and SR 43; Fresno County Transportation Authority Technical Advisory Committee; Manning Avenue Transportation Corridor of Economic Significance Technical Support Committee; San Joaquin River Conservancy Interagency Project Development Team, and the Golden State Corridor Coalition.		During 2015, the County continued coordinating its transportation planning with Fresno COG, Caltrans, Cities and adjacent jurisdictions.		During 2019, the County continued coordinating its transportation planning with FCOG, Caltrans, Cities and adjacent jurisdictions.
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47 PROGRAM TR-A.E

Deliverable: Update of County Improvement Standards for County development improvements, including private roads dedicated to public use.

The County shall update and maintain the Improvement Standards for other County	Staff is drafting revised improvement standards to update the 1966 document. It is anticipated		The County implements this program/policy on a continuous basis. The County is currently		The County implements this program/policy on a continuous basis. The County is currently working on updating the County's Improvement Standards.
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development improvements, including private roads dedicated to public use.	a draft document will be circulated in fiscal year '02-'03. In the interim, staff is analyzing alternative construction materials and practices on a case by case basis.		undergoing a comprehensive update of the County Improvement Standards.		
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48 PROGRAM TR-B.A

Deliverable: In cooperation with the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG), and at least as often as required by law, periodic update of short-range transit plans.					
The County shall work with the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG) and transit providers in the county to periodically review and update the short-range transit plans in the county at least as often as required by State law.	The Short-Range Transit Plan for the Fresno-Clovis Urbanized Area was adopted by the COFCG in 2001. The Short-Range Transit Plan for the Rural Area (outside of the FCMA) was adopted by the COFCG in June 2002. Implementation Program has been completed. Next update in FY 06-07.		The County implements this policy on a continuous basis. The Short-Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area 2016-2020 was adopted by Fresno COG on June 25, 2015.		The County works with FCOG on review and update of the Short-Range Transit Plan on a continuous basis. The Short-Range Transit Plan for the Rural Fresno County Area 2020-2024 was adopted by the FCOG Policy Board on June 27, 2019.

49 PROGRAM TR-B.B

Deliverable: Encouragement of transit providers and the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) to prepare, adopt, implement and update (on a regular basis) a long-range strategic transit master plan for the county or for subareas of the county.					
The County shall encourage transit providers and the COFCG to prepare, adopt, and implement a long-range strategic transit master plan for the County or subareas of the county. The master plan shall review the transit corridors in this Policy Document and designate a set of transit corridors so that appropriate planning can be concentrated on these corridors. The plan(s) shall be reviewed and updated on a regular basis.	An update to the Fresno Area Express Transit Long Range Master Plan was completed and accepted by the COFCG in June 2002. The Long Range Master Plan is based on anticipated land uses as designated in the (draft) Fresno 2002 General Plan.		The Fresno-Clovis Metropolitan Area Public Transportation Strategic Service Evaluation project was completed by Fresno COG on May 28, 2014. Fresno COG continues to prepare, adopt, and implement long-range strategic transit master plans for the County or sub-areas of the County.		<p>The Fresno County Regional Long Range Transit Plan (LRTP) will guide transit and multimodal investments and services in the Fresno region through the year 2050. The plan builds on Fresno COG's 2018 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and prior transit planning studies, and will inform the 2022 RTP. Further, the LRTP will integrate appropriate and effective public transportation planning and projects into the fabric of the region's overall circulation networks and systems.</p> <p>The LRTP <i>Final Draft</i> was released in March 2019.</p>

50 PROGRAM TR-B.C

Deliverable: Pursuit of transit funding through the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) and the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency.				
Through its representation on the COFCG Board and the FCRTA (a joint powers agency), the County shall work with these agencies to identify and pursue funding for transit.	Ongoing		Fresno County continues to work with Fresno COG to identify and pursue funding for transit.	Fresno County continues to work with FCOG to identify and pursue funding for transit.

51 PROGRAM TR-B.D

Deliverables: With assistance of the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) and other agencies, identification of rail right-of-way needs in designated transit corridors. Acquisition of needed rights-of-way.				
The County shall work with the COFCG and other agencies to identify right-of-way needs within designated transit corridors and to acquire needed rights-of-way, including abandoned rights-of-way and track structures.	Preservation of existing transportation corridors designated for potential mass transit use will be evaluated and pursued cooperatively with other agencies as opportunities arise.		Fresno County continues to work with Fresno COG to identify right-of-way needs within designated transit corridors and to acquire needed rights-of-way, including abandoned rights-of-way and track structures.	Fresno County continues to work with FCOG to identify right-of-way needs within designated transit corridors and to acquire needed rights-of-way, including abandoned rights-of-way and track structures.

52 PROGRAM TR-B.E

Deliverable: In cooperation with the county's 15 cities, preparation and adoption of land use and design standards that promote transit accessibility and use within designated urban transit corridors				
The County shall work with the cities in the county to prepare and adopt land use and design standards for areas within designated urban transit corridors to	There has been no activity to date. This can best be reviewed in conjunction with community plan updates in the FCMA unless otherwise directed by the Board.		In 2011, Fresno COG prepared the Public Transportation Infrastructure Study (PTIS). The PTIS makes recommendations for investments, the timing of those investments, and funding sources augmenting	In 2011, FCOG prepared the Public Transportation Infrastructure Study (PTIS). The PTIS Study makes recommendations for investments, the timing of those investments, and funding sources augmenting Measure C sales tax revenue to pay for them. In addition, the PTIS study makes policy recommendations that will be important to be adopted by City- and County-elected officials

promote transit accessibility and use.		Measure C sales tax revenue to pay for them. In addition, the PTIS makes policy recommendations that will be important to be adopted by City- and County-elected officials and implemented by planning department and public works administrators in order to shape future growth in such a way that it supports the transit investments. Fresno County continues to work with Fresno COG to promote transit accessibility and use.	and implemented by planning department and public works administrators in order to shape future growth in such a way that it supports the transit investments. Fresno County continues to work with FCOG to promote transit accessibility and use.
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53 PROGRAM TR-B.F

Deliverable: In cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), identify the need for and location of additional or expanded park-and-ride lots.				
The County shall work with Caltrans and other agencies to determine the need for additional or expanded park-and-ride lots and to identify additional sites for such lots.	Caltrans is the primary provider of Park and Ride lots on State highways. The San Joaquin River Conservancy is developing the Friant Cove river access park project, at the northwest corner of Millerton Road and North Fork Road, that includes a Park and Ride lot (the project is in the environmental analysis phase). The Park and Ride component derived from a separately funded Fresno County Park and Ride project Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality grant for a Friant Park and Ride, which was later transferred to the Conservancy for consolidation into their larger recreational project, to better utilize available public parking space through shared uses. The County will continue to work with Caltrans and COFCG through its transportation planning processes to		Caltrans is the primary provider of Park and Ride lots on State highways. Fresno County continues to work with Caltrans and Fresno COG to determine the need for additional or expanded park-and-ride lots and to identify additional sites for such lots.	Caltrans is the primary provider of Park and Ride lots on State highways. Fresno County continues to work with Caltrans and FCOG to determine the need for additional or expanded park-and-ride lots and to identify additional sites for such lots.

	identify regional needs for Park and Ride lots, and work with appropriate agencies on appropriate location and funding.			
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54 PROGRAM TR-D.A

Deliverable: In cooperation with the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG), the county's 15 cities and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), update of the County's Regional Bikeways Plan to ensure conformity with the Circulation Diagram and Standards section of the 2000 update of the General Plan.				
The County shall work with the Council of Fresno County Governments, Caltrans, and cities within the county to update the Regional Bikeways Plan to ensure consistency with the Circulation Diagram and Standards section.	Completed. The Regional Bikeways Plan was updated as part of the Regional Transportation Plan, adopted by the COFCG on November 29, 2001. The Regional Bikeways Plan is consistent with the County's Rural Bikeways Plan (figure TR-2).		The Regional Bikeways Plan was updated as part of the non-motorized section of the Regional Transportation Plan that was last updated by Fresno COG on June 26, 2014. The Regional Bikeways Plan is consistent with the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.	On February 22, 2018, the FCOG Policy Board directed staff to hire a consultant to develop a Regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP). Active transportation refers to human-powered transportation, such as walking, cycling, using a wheelchair, inline skating, skateboarding, etc. The Fresno Regional ATP is an important document that will help each jurisdiction in the County identify needed bicycle and pedestrian projects and help the agencies qualify for new funds to implement the projects. The Active Transportation Plan (ATP) is a comprehensive guide that creates a vision for a network of trails, bike lanes, sidewalks, and other elements to support safe walking and bicycling. The consultant worked with all COG member jurisdictions in developing the Regional ATP. The ATP includes a chapter (Chapter 6) that describes the existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the unincorporated communities of Fresno County. The ATP was adopted by FCOG's Policy Board on February 22, 2018.

55 PROGRAM TR-D.B

Deliverable: Ongoing encouragement of the use of bikeways and an active search for funding for their implementation and maintenance.				
The County shall encourage implementation and use of bikeways by use of transportation Development Act Article III bicycle and pedestrian funds to implement	Ongoing. County staff is developing a draft Bicycle Transportation Plan, to meet eligibility requirements for competitive State Bicycle Lane Account funds. The Plan is		The County continues to encourage implementation and use of bikeways by implementing the goals and policies in the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational	The County continues to encourage implementation and use of bikeways and trails by implementing the goals and policies of the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.

and maintain bikeways or bike trails. The County shall continue to identify and pursue appropriate new funding sources for bikeway implementation. Grant funds from regional, State, and Federal agencies should be pursued and utilized when compatible with the General Plan policies and long-term local funding capabilities.	expected to be presented to the Board in 2003.		Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.		<p>The Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan was last updated on September 24, 2013.</p> <p>Since then, the bicycle portion has been integrated into the Fresno County Regional Active Transportation Plan (FCRATP). The Recreational Trails portion is currently under development and upon completion will also be integrated into the FCRATP. The Recreational Trails portion is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2020 with full integration of both the bike and trails portions in 2021.</p>	
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56 PROGRAM TR-D.C

Deliverable: Evidence that road construction projects are designed to incorporate bikeways.						
The County shall require that sufficient pavement width for bikeways shown on the Regional Bikeway Plan be constructed in conjunction with road construction projects, and that adequate right-of-way and/or pavement width for bicycle facilities be included in frontage improvements required of new development. Implementation through signing and striping is an operational decision, and may not coincide with initial construction.	Conditions of approval on development projects require the provision of street right-of-way widths in accordance with General Plan policies and standards. Where applicable, improvements include the provision of bikeway signing and striping. On County-maintained roadways, signing and striping of bikeways is maintained by Department of Public Works and Planning field personnel.		The County requires sufficient pavement width for bikeways shown on the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.		<p>The County requires sufficient pavement width for bikeways shown on the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.</p> <p>The Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan was last updated on September 24, 2013.</p>	

57 PROGRAM TR-D.D

Deliverable: Use of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) standards for the construction of bike facilities.						
The County shall use California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) bikeway design standards as guidelines for	Ongoing. Caltrans standard bikeways have been planned for Friant Road and Academy Avenue projects.		The Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011 specifies California		The Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011 and last updated on September 24, 2013 specifies California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) bikeway design standards as guidelines for the construction of	

construction of Class I, II, III bicycle facilities.		Department of Transportation (Caltrans) bikeway design standards as guidelines for the construction of Class I, II, and III bicycle facilities.	Class I, II and III bicycle facilities.
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58 PROGRAM TR-D.E

Deliverable: In cooperation with other agencies, work to provide facilities that help link bicycle use with other modes of transportation, including the provision of bike racks or space on buses and parking or lockers for bicycles at transportation terminals.				
The County shall work with other agencies to provide facilities that help link bicycles to other modes, including provision of bike racks or space on buses and parking or lockers for bicycles at transportation terminals.	Both Fresno Area Express (FAX) and the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, which provide County-reimbursed transit services to unincorporated area residents, outfit buses with bicycle racks. Ongoing.		The Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011 provides information on facilities that help link bicycle riders to other modes, including the provision of bike racks or space on buses and parking or lockers for bicycles at transportation terminals.	The Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011 and last updated on September 24, 2013 provides information on facilities that help link bicycle riders to other modes, including the provision of bike racks or space on buses and parking or lockers for bicycles at transportation terminals.

59 PROGRAM TR-E.A

Deliverable: In cooperation with other agencies, preserve railroad rights-of-way for future rail expansion or other transportation facilities.				
The County shall work with other agencies to plan line-designated railroad corridors to facilitate the preservation of important railroad rights-of-way for future rail expansion or other appropriate transportation facilities.	No action in this review period. Preservation of at-risk rail corridors for transportation purposes will be evaluated and pursued cooperatively with other agencies as opportunities arise.		The County continues to work with other agencies including the California High Speed Rail Authority for rail expansion to facilitate the railroad rights-of-way for railroads and other transportation facilities.	The County continues to work with other agencies including the California High Speed Rail Authority for rail expansion to facilitate the railroad rights-of-way for railroads and other transportation facilities.

60 PROGRAM TR-E.B

Deliverable: Evidence of the use of appropriate zoning in designated rail corridors to ensure preservation of rail facilities for future rail use.				
The County shall use appropriate zoning in designated rail corridors to ensure preservation of rail facilities for future local rail use.	The only related activity during the reporting period has been that the groundwork for the Golden State Corridor study was initiated and railroad representatives will be included in the process toward development of a specific plan for the area west of the Union Pacific mainline.		The County continues to use appropriate zoning classifications in designated rail corridors.	The County continues to use appropriate zoning classifications in designated rail corridors.

61 PROGRAM TR-E.C

Deliverable: Participation on the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) Rail Committee.				
The County shall participate in the Council of Fresno County Governments Rail Committee to support improvement, development, and expansion of rail service in Fresno County.	Ongoing. The Board of Supervisors provides elected official representation on the COG Rail Committee and the San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee. In addition, Public Works and Planning staff attend and/or monitor rail issues of the above committees, the [Fresno] Mayor's Consolidation Task Force, the High Speed Rail Authority, Fresno Area Residents for Rail Consolidation, and participated on the Steering Committee for the Fresno Rail Consolidation Study Update, completed in 2001.		The Fresno COG Rail Committee was dissolved in 2012 when the San Joaquin Valley Joint Powers Authority (SJVJPA) was formed. A Board of Supervisors member represents Fresno County by participating in the SJVJPA.	The FCOG Rail Committee was dissolved in 2012 when the San Joaquin Valley Joint Powers Authority (SJVJPA) was formed. A Board of Supervisors member represents Fresno County by participating in the SJVJPA. This program will be removed.

COUNTY COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO IMPLEMENT THE PUBLIC FACILITIES AND SERVICES ELEMENT

**DIRECTIVE IN THE
2000 GENERAL PLAN**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE 2001/2002 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE DRAFT 2015 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN THE
DRAFT 2019 APR**



62 PROGRAM PF-A.A

Deliverable: Evidence that infrastructure plans or area facility plans are prepared in conjunction with any new or expanded community or specific plans.

The County shall ensure that infrastructure plans or area facilities plans are prepared in conjunction with any new or expanded community or specific plans and are reviewed and updated as needed. Such plans shall contain phasing and facility improvement time lines.

An analysis of infrastructure improvements and requirements is performed for all development projects. Where specific plan amendments or updates are required, analysis is performed on the adequacy of existing master plans, and master plan updates and implementation schedules are required when applicable.

Where specific plan amendments or updates are required as part of a proposed development project, analysis is performed on the adequacy of existing plans to ensure adequacy of infrastructure to accommodate the proposed development.

When a new community or specific plan is prepared or updated in conjunction with a proposed development, infrastructure plans or area facilities plans must be prepared to address the adequacy of the existing infrastructure or expansion of the infrastructure to accommodate the proposed development.

63 PROGRAM PF-B.A

Deliverables: Adoption of a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the design and construction of County facilities.
At least every 5 years or concurrent with the approval of a significant amendment of the General Plan, update of the CIP.

The County shall prepare and adopt a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for designing and constructing County facilities. Roadways shall be included in the separate Roadway Improvement Plan (RIP). The CIP should be updated at least every five (5) years, or concurrently with

The County's Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for County facilities was approved by the Board of Supervisors in November 2000 and has been modified on several occasions since then to include updates of facilities and financing plans. Currently, County staff from

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the approval of any significant amendments to the General Plan.	the General Services Department and the County Administrative Office is crafting a Facilities Master Plan that will be used to develop a new Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for County facilities. All infrastructure-related planning for development in the unincorporated areas of the County is managed through the Public Works and Planning Department. The County's Road Improvement Program is under review and will be revised by January 2003.		Improvement Plan to enable expenditure of public facility impact fees collected under the 2008 program.
			October 9, 2018, the Board of Supervisors conducted the second public hearing to consider adopting an Ordinance amending Title 17 – Division of Land, Chapter 17.90 – Public Facilities Impact Fees and Schedule of Fees of the Fresno County Ordinance Code. The Board voted to discontinue public facilities impact fees established in 2008, but maintain authorization to establish new public facilities impact fees in the future.

64 PROGRAM PF-B.B

Deliverable: Adoption of ordinances specifying methods for new development to pay for new capital facilities and expanded services.			
The County shall develop and adopt ordinances specifying acceptable methods for new development to pay for new capital facilities and expanded services. Possible mechanisms include development fees, assessment districts, land/facility dedications, county service areas, and community facilities districts.	Work on this program will appropriately proceed after the Facilities Master Plan and new Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan are adopted.	On October 8, 2013, the Board of Supervisors considered potential options to the County's Public Facilities Impact Fee Ordinance and Schedule of Fees and associated Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and any other actions related to the previously collected, unspent fees, and budgetary impacts resulting from those actions. The potential options included: 1) Continue the temporary suspension of collecting Public Facilities Impact (PFI) Fees through November 9, 2015, as approved by the Board on June 19, 2012; 2) Engage a consultant to prepare an updated PFI Fee Report and direct staff to prepare an associated CIP; 3) Engage with the consultant to study and prepare a report to reduce the number of categories and areas they serve;	<p>On October 8, 2013, the Board of Supervisors considered potential options to the County's Public Facilities Impact Fee Ordinance and Schedule of Fees and associated Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and any other actions related to the previously collected, unspent fees, and budgetary impacts resulting from those actions. The potential options included: 1) Continue the temporary suspension of collecting Public Facilities Impact (PFI) Fees through November 9, 2015, as approved by the Board on June 19, 2012; 2) Engage a consultant to prepare an updated PFI Fee Report and direct staff to prepare an associated CIP; 3) Engage with the consultant to study and prepare a report to reduce the number of categories and areas they serve; and, 4) Adopt an ordinance repealing the PFI and adopt a resolution to terminate the associated CIP and refund fees collected to the property owners of record.</p> <p>On February 2, 2015, the Board of Supervisors conducted a second public hearing to consider an amendment to repeal the Public Facilities Impact Fees Ordinance in its entirety. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board decided to continue suspension of the impact fees until November 9, 2017 and directed Staff to return to the Board in two years.</p>

		and, 4) Adopt an ordinance repealing the PFI Fees and adopt a resolution to terminate the associated CIP and refund fees collected to the property owners of record. On February 2, 2015, the Board of Supervisors conducted a second public hearing to consider an amendment to repeal the Public Facilities Impact Fees Ordinance in its entirety. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board decided to continue suspension of the impact fees until November 9, 2017 and directed Staff to return to the Board in two years.	<p>On March 20, 2018, the Board of Supervisors received and approved a proposed update to the adopted County Capital Improvement Plan to enable expenditure of public facility impact fees collected under the 2008 program.</p> <p>October 9, 2018, the Board of Supervisors conducted the second public hearing to consider adopting an Ordinance amending Title 17 – Division of Land, Chapter 17.90 – Public Facilities Impact Fees and Schedule of Fees of the Fresno County Ordinance Code. The Board voted to discontinue public facilities impact fees established in 2008, but maintain authorization to establish new public facilities impact fees in the future.</p>
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65 PROGRAM PF-C.A

Deliverable: Development of a process to resolve water supply problems when areas of need are identified.			
The County shall develop a process for resolution of water supply problems and apply the process when areas of need are identified.	No Progress. This program will not likely be addressed for two to three years. Recommend the timeframe be changed to FY 05-06.	The Water Geology Section of the Department of Public Works and Planning reviews all discretionary permits and provides recommendation for requirements and mitigation measures as necessary. The County, prior to consideration of any discretionary project related to land use, requires a water supply evaluation as outlined in General Plan Policy PF-C.17. In addition, the County is currently working to implement the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) which will further address the resolution of water supply problems. In 2015, six SGMA working group meetings were held, which were co-chaired by members of the Board of Supervisors. The	<p>The Water and Natural Resources Division of the Department of Public Works and Planning reviews all discretionary permits and provides recommendation for requirements and mitigation measures as necessary. The County, prior to consideration of any discretionary project related to land use, requires a water supply evaluation as outlined in General Plan Policy PF-C.17.</p> <p>In addition, the County is currently working to implement the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) which will further address the resolution of water supply problems. The SGMA signed into law in September of 2014 required formation of groundwater sustainability agencies (GSAs) to develop and implement a groundwater sustainability plan (GSP) to ensure that high and medium-priority basins are operated within sustainable yields.</p> <p>During 2019, no SGMA working group meetings were held because the GSAs focused their efforts on preparing their GSPs. Members of the Board of Supervisors participated on four (4) of the GSA governing boards, and County staff participated in over 200 Board, policy, technical, and outreach committee meetings.</p>

		working group is also comprised of key County and Irrigation District staff and includes representation from other interested and affected Communities.	The GSAs are required to submit their GSPs to the California Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2020. Failure to prepare and submit a GSP in a groundwater basin could result in the State Water Resources Control Board asserting its power to manage local groundwater resources.
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66 PROGRAM PF-C.B

Deliverable: Adoption of a well construction/deconstruction ordinance.				
The County shall adopt a well construction and destruction ordinance that will include among other requirements the mapping of location information on abandoned wells in the County GIS database and which includes a procedure for ensuring that abandoned wells are properly destroyed.	The Department has acquired the field instrumentation for obtaining the coordinates that will be used to plot the water well sites on a geographical map. As the coordinates for each well are obtained, they are being logged into our water well database. The existing Fresno County Ordinance chapters addressing well construction and destruction will be evaluated and updated as necessary to address new procedures and fees recently adopted by the Board.		The County Environmental Health Division has developed a procedure to ensure the abandoned wells are properly destroyed.	The County Environmental Health Division has developed a procedure to ensure the abandoned wells are properly destroyed. This program will be removed.

67 PROGRAM PF-C.C

Deliverable: Preparation of water master plans for water delivery systems for areas undergoing urban growth.				
The County shall prepare or cause to be prepared water master plans for water delivery systems for areas undergoing urban growth. The County shall have approved such plans prior to implementation.	Updates of water master plans and implementation schedules are required for areas experiencing urban-type growth. Development Engineering is responsible for infrastructure plans. Areas of concern that are currently being explored include the Millerton New Town area and Shaver Lake area,		Updates of water master plans and implementation schedules are required for areas experiencing urban-type growth. Millerton Specific Plan area, Shaver Lake area and Friant Specific Plan area have approved plans. As an example, in 2010, a Water Supply Assessment was completed for the	Updates of water master plans and implementation schedules are required for areas experiencing urban-type growth. Millerton Specific Plan area, Shaver Lake area and Friant Specific Plan area have approved plans. As an example, in 2010, a Water Supply Assessment was completed for the Tentative Tract Map No. 5430.

	which have previously approved plans. The Water, Geology and Natural Resources Section is responsible for area wide water plans. No progress has been made in the development of these plans.		Millerton Specific Plan as part of the approval process for Tentative Tract Map No. 5430.		
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68 PROGRAM PF-C.D

Deliverable: Creation of tiered water pricing structures for CSAs and waterworks districts.

The County shall develop and implement a tiered water pricing structure for County Service Areas and Waterworks Districts.	Tiered water rate structures have been implemented through CSA actions in recent developments as a means of encouraging water conservation, especially in water deficient areas. Developers are required to submit a tiered water rate structure, which is prepared by an engineer, for new subdivisions. The County is currently selecting a consultant to recommend tiered water pricing for CSAs 34 and 49. This program is an ongoing practice.		Tiered water rate structures have been implemented in recent developments. Due to recent drought conditions, CSA and WWD water rate structures are being modified to a flat rate (operational costs) plus a consumption rate (cost of water). Tiered consumption rates are being utilized in CSAs and WWDs where the supply or treatment of water is limited. All new developments are required to provide water rate structures prepared by an engineer and comprised of a flat rate and consumption rate.		Tiered water rate structures have been implemented in recent developments. Due to recent drought conditions, CSA and WWD water rate structures are being modified to a flat rate (operational costs) plus a consumption rate (cost of water). Tiered consumption rates are being utilized in CSAs and WWDs where the supply or treatment of water is limited. All new developments are required to provide water rate structures prepared by an engineer and comprised of a flat rate and consumption rate.
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69 PROGRAM PF-C.E

Deliverable: Establishment of water demand standards for new development.

The County shall establish water demand standards based on types and sizes of uses to serve as a basis for determining the adequacy of a proposed water supply for new development.	Water demand standard is part of County Improvement Standards currently under revision and review. Coordination and compliance with State Department of Health Services Drinking Water Division standards have been instituted in		Although specific standards have not been established, water supply and proposed water use are evaluated on a per-project basis by Public Works and Planning staff to determine adequate water supply. Further, in regards to landscaping,		Although specific standards have not been established, water supply and proposed water use are evaluated on a per-project basis by Public Works and Planning staff to determine adequate water supply. Further, in regard to landscaping, the County is implementing the State required Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) which applies to both residential and commercial projects. The MWELO was part of the Governor's
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	areas where the County's standards have been reduced, e.g. in the Shaver Lake area.		the County is implementing the State required Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) which applies to both residential and commercial projects. MWELO was part of the Governor's Drought Executive Order of April 1, 2015. The revised ordinance was approved on July 15, 2015.		Drought Executive Order of April 1, 2015. The revised ordinance was approved on July 15, 2015. As part of the General Plan Review process which is currently underway, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.	
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70 PROGRAM PF-C.F

Deliverable: Establishment of a review and/or regulatory process for... (a) Transfer of surface water out of the county and (b) Substitution of groundwater for transferred surface water.						
The County shall establish a review and/or regulatory process for proposed transfers of surface water to areas outside of the county and for substitution of groundwater for transferred surface water.	Completed in 2000 with the adoption of the Groundwater Transfer Ordinance.		This program has been implemented with the adoption of the Groundwater Transfer Ordinance.		This program has been implemented with the adoption of the Groundwater Transfer Ordinance and will be deleted.	

71 PROGRAM PF-C.G

Deliverable: Development and periodic update of a list of technologies and methods to maximize the use of water resources.						
The County shall develop a list of water conservation technologies, methods, and practices that maximize the beneficial use of water resources. The County shall review and update the list periodically to eliminate practices that no longer prove beneficial and add new technologies that become available.	Development of a list of water conservation technologies, methods and practices planned for FY 02-03.		The County enforces the State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance as a means to promote the values and benefits of landscapes while recognizing the need to invest water and other resources as efficiently as possible, to establish a structure for planning, designing, installing maintaining and managing water efficient landscapes in new and rehabilitated		The County enforces the State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance as a means to promote the values and benefits of landscapes while recognizing the need to invest water and other resources as efficiently as possible, to establish a structure for planning, designing, installing maintaining and managing water-efficient landscapes in new and rehabilitated projects, to establish provisions for water management practices and water waste prevention for established landscapes, and to use water efficiently without waste by setting a Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA) as an upper limit for water use and reduce water use to the lowest practical amount. These standards are enforced for	

		projects, to establish provisions for water management practices and water waste prevention for established landscapes, and to use water efficiently without waste by setting a Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA) as an upper limit for water use and reduce water use to the lowest practical amount. These standards are enforced for any residential, commercial, or industrial projects that require a permit, plan check or design review and that have a 500 square-foot or more landscaping area.		any residential, commercial, or industrial projects that require a permit, plan check or design review and that have a 500 square-foot or more landscaping area.	
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72 PROGRAM PF-D.A

Deliverable: Creation of sewer master plans for sewer treatment facilities for areas undergoing urban growth.					
The County shall prepare or cause to be prepared a sewer master plan for wastewater treatment facilities for areas experiencing urban growth. The County shall have approved such plans prior to implementation.	Development Engineering updates of sewer master plans and implementation schedules are required for areas experiencing urban-type growth. Areas of concern that are currently being explored include the Millerton New Town area and Shaver Lake area, which have previously approved plans. The Resources Division is responsible for implementing the policies and implementation programs in the plan. This program is implemented as needed.		Areas that experience urban growth are required to prepare a sewer master plan or update the current master plan. The Public Works and Planning Department is responsible for implementing the policies and implementation programs in the plan. This program is implemented as needed.		Areas that experience urban growth are required to prepare a sewer master plan or update the current master plan. The Public Works and Planning Department is responsible for implementing the policies and implementation programs in the plan. This program is being implemented on an as needed basis.

73 PROGRAM PF-E.A

Deliverable: As appropriate and In cooperation with flood control agencies, adoption of regulations and programs to implement required state and federal stormwater quality programs.					
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The County shall work with responsible flood control agencies to pursue adoption of appropriate regulations and programs as necessary and appropriate to implement required actions under State and Federal stormwater quality programs.	Requirements for setbacks, easements, and/or covenants are imposed on entitlement projects to preserve natural stream areas. Some minor small streams are permitted for relocation through coordination with the Department of Fish and Game and the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District. Staff is consulting with applicable agencies to formulate checklists and pertinent requirements. The Water, Geology and Natural Resources Section assists Development Engineering in this Program. Development Engineering and the Design Division work with the FMFCD and other agencies on NPDES permits.		The County coordinates with the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD) who is the Lead Agency for the Municipal Storm Water Permit held by FMFCD, the cities of Fresno and Clovis, Fresno County, and California State University Fresno. The County also requires development to file storm water permits with the State Water Resources Control Board when the project meets the minimum threshold for permitting.		The County coordinates with the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (FMFCD) who is the Lead Agency for the Municipal Storm Water Permit held by FMFCD, the cities of Fresno and Clovis, Fresno County, and California State University Fresno. The County also requires developments to file storm water permits with the State Water Resources Control Board when the project meets the minimum threshold for permitting.	
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74 PROGRAM PF-F.A

Deliverable: Evidence of the requirement that new commercial, industrial or multi-family residential uses accommodate the collection and storage of recyclables.						
The County shall require new commercial, industrial, and multi-family residential uses to provide adequate areas on-site to accommodate the collection and storage of recyclable materials.	Resources Division staff review and comment on Initial Studies/Environmental Assessments and, when appropriate, provide comments recommending that new commercial, industrial, and multi-family residential uses provide adequate areas on site for the collection and storage of recyclable materials. This program is an ongoing practice.		Public Works and Planning staff review and comment on Initial Studies/Environmental Assessments and, when appropriate, provide comments recommending that new commercial, industrial, and multi-family residential uses provide adequate areas on site for the collection and storage of recyclable materials. The County implemented a mandatory hauler program in the mid-2000s to mandate refuse and recycling collection for all unincorporated areas.		The Public Works and Planning staff reviews and comments on Initial Studies/Environmental Assessments and, when appropriate, provide comments recommending that new commercial, industrial, and multi-family residential uses provide adequate areas on site for the collection and storage of recyclable materials. The County implemented a mandatory hauler program in the mid-2000s to mandate refuse and recycling collection for all unincorporated areas.	

Deliverables: Adoption of a master plan for the location of sheriff substations.

Evaluation of such master plans during the update of regional and community plans.

<p>The County shall prepare and adopt a master plan to identify locations for sheriff substations and community offices. The County should further evaluate these locations in the regional and unincorporated community plan updates.</p>	<p>Within the past calendar year the Sheriff's Department has completed and put into operation substations in the rural communities of Squaw Valley and Auberry. These substations not only provide facilities and office space for Deputies assigned to this area but also a convenient location for both formal and informal community contact.</p> <p>The Sheriff's Department continues to pursue the relocation of its Area 2 substation from Clovis and Shields to the Temperance and Belmont area. This project would provide a more centralized location for the citizens served in this part of the county. It would also provide space for equipment, property and evidence storage. If the right location is acquired, additional facilities could be relocated to provide for the department's future training facilities needs.</p> <p>Regional and community plan updates will have input from the Sheriff's Department under the Public Facilities section.</p>	<p>Sheriff's Department has established substations in unincorporated County areas to be able to provide faster response to service calls. Although no master plan has been prepared, when Community Plans are updated, a location is identified for a Sheriff's substation. Further, the Sheriff's Department actively works with Public Works and Planning staff on land use matters pertinent to their facilities.</p> <p>As an example, during the Laton Community Plan Update, Public Works and Planning Department staff worked with Sheriff's Department staff to identify a potential location for a future Sheriff's substation.</p>		<p>The Sheriff's Department has established substations in unincorporated County areas to be able to provide faster response to service calls. Although no master plan has been prepared, when Community Plans are updated, a location is identified for a Sheriff's substation. Further, the Sheriff's Department actively works with Public Works and Planning staff on land use matters pertinent to their facilities.</p> <p>As an example, during the Laton Community Plan Update, Public Works and Planning Department staff worked with Sheriff's Department staff to identify a potential location for a future Sheriff's substation.</p>
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76 PROGRAM PF-H.A

Deliverable: Evidence that discretionary development projects are not approved unless... (a) A Fire Protection Master Plan has been adopted or (b) Fire facilities acceptable to the Director of the Department of Public Works and Planning are provided.				
<p>If a Fire Protection Master Plan has not been prepared for the area and the County Director of Planning & Resource Management Department determines that additional fire protection facilities are needed, the County shall not approve discretionary development until such time as a Master Plan has been adopted or other facilities acceptable to the Director are provided, with appeal rights as provided by County Ordinance. The Fire Protection Master Plan must contain the following information: identification of water supply; delineation of the service area boundary; designation of an appropriate fire protection entity; determination of structural, equipment, and personnel needs and costs; and a financing plan based on shared benefit.</p>	<p>The Current Planning Unit routes all projects to the appropriate fire district for review and comment. The District then identifies appropriate fire protection measures to accommodate the project. Upon consultation with the District, Staff will include the conditions for each project.</p>		<p>The Public Works and Planning staff routes all projects to the appropriate fire district for review and comment. The District then identifies appropriate fire protection measures to accommodate the project. Upon consultation with the District, Staff will include the conditions for each project.</p>	<p>The Public Works and Planning staff routes all projects to the appropriate fire district for review and comment. The District then identifies appropriate fire protection measures to accommodate the project. Upon consultation with the District, staff will include the fire district requirements as conditions of approval for each project.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process which is currently underway, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>

77 PROGRAM PF-H.B

Deliverable: In cooperation with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and local fire protection agencies, consolidation and standardization of fire protection services.				
<p>The County shall work with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, local fire protection agencies, and city fire departments to maximize the use of resources to develop functional</p>	<p>Fresno County initiated a study of countywide fire protection services during July 2002 with a final report due in January 2003. The study includes participation by the California Department of Forestry</p>		<p>The County works cooperatively with the California Department of Forestry and Cal Fire on various land use and permit matters. The County contracts with the California Department of Forestry/Cal Fire for</p>	<p>The County works cooperatively with the California Department of Forestry and Cal Fire on various land use and permit matters. The County contracts with the California Department of Forestry/Cal Fire for the Amador Plan during the non-fire season to provide additional protection.</p>

and/or operational consolidations and Standardization of services and to maximize the efficient use of fire protection resources.	and Fire Protection, local fire protection agencies, and city fire departments and will recommend methods to maximize the efficient use of fire protection resources.		the Amador Plan during the non-fire season to provide additional protection.		
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78 PROGRAM PF-I.A

Deliverable: As regional, community and specific plans are updated, and in cooperation with applicable school districts, identification of the locations for new or expanded school facilities.					
The County shall coordinate the updating of regional, community, and specific plans necessitated by the general plan with applicable school districts to identify the need for and potential location of new or expanded school facilities.	This program will be a part of the planned update of each regional, community and specific plan, under service characteristic studies and in the preparation of the public facilities and services section of each plan.		The County involves the respective school district in the update of each regional, community and specific plan to identify the need for and potential location of new or expansion of existing facilities. Further, through the General Plan Conformity (GPC) findings process, potential school site acquisitions are evaluated for consistency with the General Plan. This is required per Public Resources Code 21151.2 and Government Code 65402. No GPC requests were processed for school sites in 2015.		The County involves the respective school district in the update of each regional, community and specific plan to identify the need for and potential location of new or expansion of existing facilities. Further, through the General Plan Conformity (GPC) findings process, potential school site acquisitions are evaluated for consistency with the General Plan. This is required per Public Resources Code 21151.2 and Government Code 65402. Four General Plan Consistency requests were processed for proposed school sites in 2019.

79 PROGRAM PF-I.B

Deliverable: As regional, community and specific plans are updated, and in cooperation with applicable library districts and library interest groups, identification of the need for new or expanded library facilities.					
The County shall coordinate the updating of regional, community, and specific plans necessitated by the general plan with applicable library districts and library interest groups to identify the need for and potential location of new or expanded library facilities.	This program will be a part of the planned update of each regional, community and specific plan, under service characteristic studies and in the preparation of the public facilities and services section of each plan.		The County involves library administration in the update of each regional, community and specific plan to identify the need for and potential location of new or expansion of existing facilities.		The County involves library administration in the update of each regional, community and specific plan to identify the need for and potential location of new or expansion of existing libraries.

COUNTY COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO IMPLEMENT THE OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION ELEMENT

**DIRECTIVE IN THE
2000 GENERAL PLAN**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE 2001/2002 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE DRAFT 2015 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN THE
DRAFT 2019 APR**



80 PROGRAM 0S-A.A

Deliverable: Development, implementation and maintenance of a water sustainability plan.

The County shall develop, implement and maintain a water sustainability plan.	The Water, Geology and Natural Resources Section is gathering data for development of a water sustainability plan.		In June 2006 the County adopted a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan. Also with the passage of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, local agencies within the Kings, Westside, and Delta Mendota basins in the County will be required to form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies that will in turn create Groundwater Sustainability Plans. The plans are required to be adopted by January 31, 2020.		In June 2006 the County adopted a Fresno Area Regional Groundwater Management Plan. Also, with the passage of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, local agencies within the Kings, Westside, and Delta Mendota basins in the County will be required to form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) which will in turn create Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs). The GSAs are required to submit their GSPs to the California Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2020. Failure to prepare and submit a GSP in a groundwater basin could result in the State Water Resources Control Board asserting its power to manage local groundwater resources.	
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81 PROGRAM 0S-A.B

Deliverable: Development and maintenance of a centralized water resource database for surface and groundwater that includes a water budget, groundwater monitoring data and groundwater recharge site inventory.

The County shall establish and maintain a centralized water resource database for surface and groundwater that includes the water budget, groundwater monitoring data, and the groundwater recharge site inventory.	The Water, Geology and Natural Resources Section is gathering data for the database.		Water budget development and maintenance will be required through the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in areas with aquifers identified as being in a condition of critical overdraft. The		Water budget development and maintenance will be required through the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in areas with aquifers identified as being in a condition of critical overdraft. The County has completed a study through the AB 303 Local Groundwater Assistance Grant funding, to identify potential recharge sites northeast of the City of Fresno and City of Clovis. As development occurs, the County will use	
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			<p>County has completed a study through the AB 303 Local Groundwater Assistance Grant funding, to identify potential recharge sites northeast of the City of Fresno and City of Clovis. As development occurs, the County will use this information to attempt to preserve those areas identified as prime recharge.</p>	<p>this information to attempt to preserve those areas identified as prime recharge areas.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process which is currently underway, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>	
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82 PROGRAM 0S-A.C

<p>Deliverables: Development, implementation and maintenance of a groundwater monitoring program.</p> <p>Annual report of information from this program to the Board of Supervisors during the annual review of the General Plan.</p>					
<p>The County shall develop, implement and maintain a groundwater monitoring program. Information from this program shall be provided to the Board of Supervisors during the annual General Plan review.</p>	<p>The Water, Geology and Natural Resources Section is gathering data for a groundwater monitoring program.</p>		<p>Groundwater monitoring and reporting will be a key component of the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. By January 31, 2020, Groundwater Sustainability Agencies within the County will be required to adopt a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for implementation.</p>	<p>Groundwater monitoring and reporting will be a key component of the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), which requires local agencies within the Kings, Westside, and Delta Mendota basins to form Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) which will in turn create Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs). The GSAs are required to submit their GSPs to the California Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2020. Failure to prepare and submit a GSP in a groundwater basin could result in the State Water Resources Control Board asserting its power to manage local groundwater resources.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process which is currently underway, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>	

83 PROGRAM 0S-A.D

Deliverable: Development, implementation and maintenance of land use plans for the preservation of groundwater recharge areas.				
The County shall develop, implement, and maintain land use plans to preserve for recharge purpose those lands identified as suitable for groundwater recharge in the water resource database inventory.	No progress, propose to delay Program activity to FY 03-04		The County has completed a study through the AB 303 Local Groundwater Assistance Grant funding to identify potential recharge sites northeast of the City of Fresno and City of Clovis. As development occurs, the County will use this information in efforts to preserve those areas identified as prime recharge.	The County has completed a study through the AB 303 Local Groundwater Assistance Grant funding to identify potential recharge sites northeast of the City of Fresno and City of Clovis. As development occurs, the County will use this information to attempt to preserve those areas identified as prime recharge areas. As part of the General Plan Review process which is currently underway, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.

84 PROGRAM 0S-B.A

Deliverables: In consultation with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, evaluation of Forest Practice Rules with regard to... (a) Clearcutting, (b) Use of prescribed burning, (c) Protection of biological, soil, and water resources, (d) Protection of old growth forests. If the Forest Practice Rules are determined to be inadequate, a proposal from the County to the Board of Forestry to address the inadequacies.				
The County, in consultation with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, shall conduct a careful evaluation of the Forest Practice Rules with regard to: clearcutting and other forest management practices with potential visual impacts; use of prescribed burning; protection of	Future FY		The Department of Forestry and Fire Protections enforcement authority granted under the Forest Practice Act and Rules is only applicable when conversion of land from a use other than growing a commercial crop of trees, or commercialization of forest products occurs and is only applicable on	The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection enforcement authority granted under the Forest Practice Act and Rules is only applicable when conversion of land from a use other than growing a commercial crop of trees, or commercialization of forest products occurs and is only applicable on private land. Forested stands within Fresno County that may be characterized as "Old Growth" may exist in extremely limited acreages and most likely exist exclusively on national forest land.

biological, soil, and water resources; and protection of old growth forest in Fresno County. If the Forest Practice Rules are determined to be inadequate, a compilation of Special Forest Practice Rules for Fresno County shall be proposed to the Board of Forestry to address those inadequacies.			private land. Forested stands within Fresno County that may be characterized as "Old Growth" may exist in extremely limited acreages and most likely exist exclusively on national forest land.		As part of the General Plan Review process which is currently underway, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.	
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85 PROGRAM 0S-B.B

<p>Deliverables: Encouragement to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to complete an Inventory of ancient and old growth forests in Fresno County.</p> <p>Incorporation of that inventory into the County's biological resources database for use in future land use planning.</p>						
The County shall encourage the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to complete an inventory of existing and residual stands of ancient and old growth forest on private timberlands in Fresno County. The results of this inventory shall be incorporated into the County's biological resources database for use in future land use planning decisions.	Future FY		<p>The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has no mandate or authority to enter private timber lands unless enforcement of the Forest Practice Act and rules have been triggered.</p> <p>Forested stands within Fresno County that may be characterized as "Old Growth" may exist in extremely limited acreages and most likely exist exclusively on national forest land.</p>		<p>The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has no mandate or authority to enter private timber lands unless enforcement of the Forest Practice Act and rules have been triggered.</p> <p>Forested stands within Fresno County that may be characterized as "Old Growth" may exist in extremely limited acreages and most likely exist exclusively on national forest land.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of all element of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>	

86 PROGRAM 0S-B.C

Deliverable: Encouragement to the U.S. Forest Service and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to identify potential impacts on, and the need for preservation of, old growth forests.				
The County shall encourage the U.S. Forest Service and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to identify potential impacts on, and the need for preservation of, old growth forest in Fresno County.	Future FY		<p>The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection is required by law to identify potential impacts to a wide variety of natural and cultural resources when engaging in a discretionary project that warrants compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).</p> <p>Forested stands within Fresno County that may be characterized as "Old Growth" may exist in extremely limited acreages and most likely exist exclusively on national forest land.</p>	<p>The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection is required by law to identify potential impacts to a wide variety of natural and cultural resources when engaging in a discretionary project that triggers compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).</p> <p>Forested stands within Fresno County that may be characterized as "Old Growth" may exist in extremely limited acreages and most likely exist exclusively on national forest land.</p>

87 PROGRAM 0S-B.D

Deliverable: Request to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection that it include in its Notices of Intent to Harvest Timber educational materials for residents on the Forest Practice Act, Forest Practice Rules and the Timber Harvest Plan review process.				
The County shall formally request that the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection include educational materials for residents in its Notice of Intent to Harvest Timber. Such materials should include information concerning the Forest Practice Act, Forest Practice Rules, and Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Timber Harvest Plan review process.	Future FY		<p>A "Notice of Intent to Harvest Timber" (NOI) is a specific requirement of the Forest Practice Act and Rules and is required for a wide variety of timber harvest documents. A modification of the NOI would require rule change by the Board of Forestry (BOF).</p>	<p>A "Notice of Intent to Harvest Timber" (NOI) is a specific requirement of the Forest Practice Act and Rules and is required for a wide variety of timber harvest documents. A modification of the NOI would require rule change by the Board of Forestry (BOF).</p>

88 PROGRAM 0S-D.A

Deliverable: Evidence of working with various agencies and non-profit conservation organizations for them to acquire creek corridors, wetlands and areas rich in wildlife, and fragile eco structure where such areas cannot be effectively preserved through the regulatory process.

The County shall work toward the acquisition by public agencies or private non-profit conservation organizations of creek corridors, wetlands, and areas rich in wildlife or of a fragile ecological nature as public open space where such areas cannot be effectively preserved through the regulatory process. Such protection may take the form of fee acquisition or protective easements and may be carried out in cooperation with other local, State, and Federal agencies and private entities. Acquisition shall include provisions for maintenance and management in perpetuity.	No activity during the review period. The preservation of vernal pools in the Millerton New Town Area consistent with the mitigation measures of the project and provision for on-going monitoring through CSA 34 is anticipated in fiscal year 02-03.		The County continues to coordinate with the San Joaquin River Conservancy for projects in the vicinity of their resources. Further, through discretionary land use permits, the County will review requests by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for offsetting habitats, consider mitigation and review and formal proposal for mitigation banking to CDFW.		The County works with public agencies and private non-profit organizations toward acquisition of areas rich in wildlife or of fragile ecological nature as public open space where such areas cannot be protected and preserved through regulatory process.	
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89 PROGRAM 0S-D.B

Deliverable: Adoption of an ordinance identifying riparian protection zones and allowable activities and mitigation techniques in those zones.

The County shall adopt an ordinance for riparian protection zones identifying allowable activities in riparian protection zones and allowable mitigation techniques.	No progress to date. Implementation planned for FY 03-04.		Due to budgetary constraints, a specific ordinance has not been adopted. The County continues to coordinate with resource agencies for projects located within sensitive habitat and applies policies for those proposals within river influence areas.		Due to budgetary constraints, a specific ordinance has not been adopted. The County continues to coordinate with resource agencies for projects located within sensitive habitat areas and applies mitigation measures to reduce any potential impacts to a less than significant level.	
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90 PROGRAM 0S-E.A

Deliverables: Compilation and regular update of inventories (and maps) of areas of ecological significance based on the California Wildlife Habitats Relationships (WHR) system, including unique natural areas, wetlands, riparian areas, and habitats for special-status plants and animals.

Consultation of the inventories and maps when revising plans or considering project development proposals.

The County shall compile inventories of ecologically significant resource areas, including unique natural areas, wetlands, riparian areas, and habitats for special-status plants and animals from existing data sources. The inventories shall be presented when area plans, specific plans, or other project development proposals are considered by the County. The classification system shall be based on the California Wildlife Habitats Relationships (WHR) system and shall identify appropriate buffer zones around the identified resource areas in order to account for periodic, seasonal, or ecological changes. The maps shall be revised on a regular basis to reflect the availability of new information from other agencies, changes in definition, or any other changes.

The Environmental Analysis Unit of the Development Services Division is compiling, reviewing and updating in-house data. The Unit is also working with US Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) to determine the data they routinely review when a project is submitted to them for review and what information Fresno County needs to develop to cooperatively facilitate project review. Significant resources areas will be addressed in plan updates under the discussion of characteristics of the plan area.

Development projects that may have a potential impact on wetlands, riparian areas and habitats for special-status plants and animals are referred to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and United States Fish and Wildlife Service for review and comments. Recommended mitigation measures proposed by these agencies will be considered during the environmental review of development projects.

Development projects that may have a potential impact on wetlands, riparian areas and habitats for special-status plants and animals are referred to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and United States Fish and Wildlife Service for review and comment. Recommended mitigation measures proposed by these agencies will be considered during the environmental review of development projects and may be imposed on proposed projects if warranted.

As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of all element of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.

91 PROGRAM 0S-E.B

Deliverables: As they are made available by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), maintenance of maps identifying significant habitat for important fish and game species.

In consultation with CDFW, determination by the County of the relative importance of these game species.

Consultation of these maps when revising plans or considering project development proposals.

<p>The County shall maintain current maps that indicate the extent of significant habitat for important fish and game species, as these maps are made available by the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG). The relative importance of these game species shall be determined by the County, in consultation with CDFG, based on relevant ecological, recreational, and economic considerations. These maps shall be used by the Fresno County to evaluate proposed area plans, specific plans, and any other project development proposals to determine the compatibility of development with maintenance and enhancement of important fish and game species.</p>	<p>The Environmental Analysis Unit is compiling, reviewing and updating in-house data. The Unit is working with US Fish and Wildlife Service and CDFG to determine the data they routinely review when a project is submitted to them for review and what information Fresno County needs to develop to cooperatively facilitate project review.</p>		<p>The County refers development projects to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for review and comment as to any potential impact on sensitive species of plants or animals. County staff also has access to State-maintained software which provides updated maps containing biological data in an electronic mapping database (Rare Final 5, etc.).</p>		<p>The County provides development projects for comment to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for review and comment as to any potential impact on sensitive species of plants or animals. County staff also has access to State-maintained software which provides updated maps containing biological data in an electronic mapping database.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>
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92 PROGRAM 0S-F.A

<p>Deliverable: Preparation and a full review at least every two years of lists of state and federal rare, threatened and endangered plant species known or suspected to occur in the county.</p>					
<p>The County shall prepare and maintain an updated list of State and Federal rare, threatened, and endangered plant species known or suspected to occur in the county. The following other uncommon or special-status species which occur or may occur in the County should also be included on the list: 1) plant species included in the California Native Plant Society's Inventory of Rare and Endangered Vascular Plants of California; and 2) species of special concern as designated by California Department of Fish and Game. In addition to updating the</p>	<p>The Environmental Analysis Unit is compiling, reviewing and updating in-house data. The Unit is working with California Native Plant Society and CDFG to verify existence and to review listings of Plant species included in the California Native Plant Society's Inventory of Rare and Endangered Vascular Plants of California and listings of species of special concern as designated by the CDFG. The Unit will research procedures other agencies utilize for identifying and preserving rare, threatened, and endangered plant species that may be adversely</p>		<p>The County refers development projects to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for review and comment as to any potential impact on sensitive species of plants or animals. County staff also has access to State-maintained software which provides updated maps containing sensitive species of plants and animal data in an electronic mapping database (Rare Final 5, etc.).</p>		<p>The County provides development projects for comment to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (formerly CDFG) for review and comment as to any potential impact on sensitive species of plants or animals. County staff also has access to State-maintained software which provides updated maps containing sensitive species of plants and animals in an electronic mapping database.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>

list as new information becomes available, the list should be reviewed and amended at least once every two years.	affected by development projects and provisions for incorporating a biological resources evaluation into the environmental review process.			
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93 PROGRAM 0S-F.B

Deliverable: Dissemination of the Fresno County Oak Management Guidelines to landowners of property with oak woodland habitat.				
The County shall make the Fresno County Oak Management Guidelines and other educational resources available to landowners located in oak woodland habitat.	Work on a brochure is anticipated to be initiated in this Fiscal Year 02-03. The boundaries of the oak woodland habitat area have yet to be established, when they are, the handout will be completed and distributed with every permit that is issued within these areas.		The boundaries of the oak woodland habitat area have yet to be established; when they are, a handout will be prepared and distributed with every permit that is issued within these areas. Individual projects in oak woodland areas are evaluated for buffering or tree preservation requirements depending on the sensitivity of the habitat and relative health of tree growth as indicated by independent studies provided by project applicants. Further, Policy OS-F .11 which contains the County's Oak Woodlands Management Guidelines is considered.	
			The boundaries of the oak woodland habitat area have yet to be established; when they are, a handout will be prepared and distributed with every permit that is issued within these areas. Individual projects in oak woodland areas are evaluated for buffering or tree preservation requirements depending on the sensitivity of the habitat and relative health of tree growth as indicated by independent studies provided by project applicants. Further, Policy OS-F.11, which contains the County's Oak Woodlands Management Guidelines, is considered.	

94 PROGRAM 0S-G.A

Deliverables: Review of the Guide for Assessing and Mitigating Air Quality Impacts published by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (SJVAPCD). Adoption of procedures for performing air quality impact analyses and adopting mitigation measures with any modifications of the SJVAPD guidelines deemed appropriate.				
The County shall review the Guide for Assessing and Mitigating Air Quality Impacts published by the	The Environmental Analysis Unit is working with the SJVUAPCD to review existing standard methods or		The County refers development projects to the SJVAPCD for review and comment on potential air quality	
			The County provides development projects for comment to the SJVAPCD for review and comment on potential air quality impacts and requires development projects to comply with	

SJVUAPCD and adopt procedures for performing air quality impact analysis and mitigation measures with any modifications deemed appropriate.	procedures for determining and mitigating project air quality impacts and possible revisions, as necessary, for use in environmental documents.	impacts and requires development projects to comply with SJVAPCD rules to mitigate any impact on air quality. For Discretionary projects, County staff will review SJVAPCD comments and require district requirements as warranted (i.e., indirect source review, etc.) as part of the CEQA review process.	SJVAPCD rules to mitigate any impact on air quality. For discretionary projects, County staff will review SJVAPCD comments and require district requirements as warranted (i.e., indirect source review, etc.) as part of the CEQA review process.
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95 PROGRAM 0S-G.B

Deliverable: Adoption of a package of programs to reduce County employee work-related vehicular trips.				
The County shall adopt a package of programs to reduce its employees' work-related vehicular trips.	The County has begun to use video conferencing for both inter-County and intra-county meetings, with the resultant reduction in employee work-related vehicular trips. The County is also in the planning and development stages of countywide e-government programs that will impact the number of vehicular trips required to conduct business.	<p>The County commonly promotes and utilizes telephone conference calling in lieu of physical meetings so as to minimize travel-related impacts. The County has begun to use video conferencing for both inter-County and intra-County meetings, with the resultant reduction in employee work-related vehicular trips. The County is also in the planning and development stages of Countywide e-government programs that will impact the number of vehicular trips required to conduct business. Additionally, given the increasing quality of current aerial photos and the available historical imagery which allows comparative analysis, County staff can in some instances use aerial information rather than conducting field visits.</p> <p>The County encourages employee participation in Fresno COG's car and van pool program.</p>	<p>The County commonly promotes and utilizes telephone conference calling in lieu of physical meetings so as to minimize travel-related impacts. The County has begun to use video conferencing for both inter-County and intra-county meetings, with the resultant reduction in employee work-related vehicular trips. The County is also in the planning and development stages of countywide e-government programs that will impact the number of vehicular trips required to conduct business. Additionally, given the increasing quality of current aerial photos and the available historical imagery which allows comparative analysis, County staff can in some instances use aerial information rather than conducting field visits.</p> <p>The County encourages employee participation in FCOG's car and van pool program.</p>	

96 PROGRAM 0S-G.C

<p>Deliverable: Amendment of the Subdivision and Grading Ordinances and Development Standards to address dust control measures for new development, access roads and parking areas to assist the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution District in the regulation of particulate matter of less than 10 microns (PM₁₀).</p>					
The County shall amend its Subdivision and Grading Ordinances and Development Standards to address dust control measures for new development, access roads, and parking areas.	Staff is drafting revised improvement standards to update the 1966 document. It is anticipated a draft document will be circulated in fiscal year '02-'03. In the interim, fugitive dust control measures are included as conditions of approval or mitigation measures as applicable for the specific entitlement project. Compliance is monitored through periodic inspection.		All development projects must comply with the SJVAPCD regulations for dust control and project conditions or mitigation for discretionary land use permits may require additional levels of dust control.		<p>All development projects must comply with the SJVAPCD regulations for dust control and project conditions or mitigation for discretionary land use permits may require additional levels of dust control.</p> <p>As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.</p>

97 PROGRAM 0S-H.A

<p>Deliverables: In consultation with local, state and federal agencies, completion of an inventory of all recreation areas and services in the county and identification of other areas suitable for park acquisition.</p> <p>Consideration of the preparation of a County park and recreation master plan to provide a policy framework for independent implementation by cooperating agencies.</p>					
The County shall work with local, State, and Federal agencies to complete a comprehensive inventory of all parks and recreation areas and services in the county and to identify other areas suitable for park acquisition and development as funds permit. The County shall consider preparation of a County park and recreation master plan to provide a policy framework for independent	At the present time, funds are not available for the necessary consultant services to prepare a comprehensive Parks Master Plan, to include surveys of all existing regional facilities. Due to uncertain fiscal constraints, it is unknown when such funds will become available.		Funds have not been available to prepare a comprehensive inventory of all parks and recreation areas and to identify other areas suitable for park acquisition and development.		Funds have not been available to prepare a comprehensive inventory of all parks and recreation areas and to identify other areas suitable for park acquisition and development. Funds have not been allocated to prepare a County park and recreation master plan.

implementation by the cooperating agencies.					
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98 PROGRAM 0S-H.B

Deliverables: For the development and maintenance of parks, as new development occurs, consideration of contracting with existing entities or forming new County Service Areas (CSAs) that have...

- (a) The authority to receive dedications or grants of land or funds, and
- (b) The ability to charge fees for acquisition, development, and maintenance of parks, open space, and riding, hiking, and bicycle trails.

As new development occurs, the County shall consider contracting with existing entities or forming county service areas (CSAs) that have the authority to receive dedications or grants of land or funds, plus the ability to charge fees for acquisition, development, and maintenance of parks, open space, and riding, hiking, and bicycle trails.	Current Planning considers the need for an entity to hold and maintain parkland, open space, and trails as a part of the project review. The Resources Division considers these service needs when a CSA is being formed or expanded.	Public Works and Planning staff considers the need for an entity to hold and maintain parkland, open space, and trails as a part of the project review. The Department considers these service needs when a CSA is being formed or expanded. It should be noted that due to limitations of the Proposition 218 process, which allows residents within a CSA to vote on or consider discontinuation of service, the use of CSAs for Services beyond basic services (i.e., sewer and water) can become problematic and has limited the use of CSAs in more recent developments.	Public Works and Planning staff considers the need for an entity to hold and maintain parkland, open space, and trails as a part of the project review. The Department considers these service needs when a CSA is being formed or expanded. It should be noted that due to limitations of the Proposition 218 process, which allows residents within a CSA to vote on or consider discontinuation of service, the use of CSAs for Services beyond basic services (i.e., sewer and water) can become problematic and has limited the use of CSAs in more recent developments.
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99 PROGRAM 0S-I.A

Deliverable: Preparation of a Recreation Trails Master Plan based on the County's Conceptual Recreational Trail List and Recreational Trail Corridor Map.

The County shall prepare a Recreational Trails Master Plan for a countywide trail system that identifies appropriate corridors and	At the County's request, the Council of Fresno County Governments has funded an update of the Regional Trails Plan in the 2002/2003 fiscal	This program has been implemented; the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan was adopted by	This program has been implemented; the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 24, 2013. Since then, the bicycle portion has been integrated into the Fresno County
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the design of the trails in the corridors based on the criteria listed in the policies of this section. The Recreational Trail Corridor Map (Figure OS-1) and Conceptual Recreational Trail List shall be used as a starting point for the master plan process.	year. The COFCG has initiated creation of the Project Development Team and meetings are expected to begin in October 2002. Public Works and Planning staff will participate in the Project Development Team. The Plan is expected to be completed in the 2002/03 fiscal year.		Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.		Regional Active Transportation Plan (FCRATP). The Recreational Trails portion is currently under development and upon completion will also be integrated into the FCRATP. The Recreational Trails portion is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2020 with full integration of both the bike and trails portions in 2021.	
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100 PROGRAM OS-I.B

Deliverable: Investigation of the potential of various types of land use controls to reserve areas for trails.						
The County shall investigate the potential of various land use controls for reserving areas for trails such as the acquisition of easements, open space and floodplain zoning, and subdivision control.	No action.		This program has been implemented. It is included in the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011.		This program has been implemented. It is included in the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 24, 2013. This program will be deleted.	

101 PROGRAM OS-I.C

Deliverable: Adoption of an ordinance to... (a) Prohibit use of multi-purpose trails by all motorized vehicles (except those used for maintenance vehicles). (b) Regulate users on multiple purpose paths and protect the interests of property owners adjacent to trails.						
The County shall enact an ordinance to prohibit the use of recreational trails by all motorized vehicles except maintenance vehicles, regulate users on multiple purpose paths, and protect the interests of property adjacent to trails.	No action.		This program has been implemented. It is included in the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 15, 2011. The County uses the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)		This program has been implemented. It is included in the Fresno County Regional Bicycle and Recreational Trails Master Plan that was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on September 24, 2013. The County uses the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) approved sign R44A on Class I bike paths. This program will be deleted.	

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102 PROGRAM 0S-J.A

Deliverable: Adoption and implementation of an ordinance to protect and preserve archaeological, historical and geographical sites.				
The County shall adopt and implement an ordinance to protect and preserve significant archaeological, historical, and geological resources. The ordinance shall provide for implementation of applicable development conditions, open space easements, tax incentives, related code revisions and other measures as needed.	The Environmental Analysis Unit is discussing with State Historic Preservation Officer, the Fresno County Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission and the Fresno County Historical Society the feasibility and possible format and content of a Fresno County ordinance to protect and preserve significant archaeological, historical, and geological resources in Fresno County. The Water, Geology and Natural Resources Section will assist the Environmental Analysis Unit relative to geologic resources		Development projects are referred to the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Fresno County Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission and the Fresno County Historical Society for potential impact on significant archeological and historical and geological resources. However, no ordinance has been developed.	Development projects are referred to the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Fresno County Historical Landmarks and Records Advisory Commission and the Fresno County Historical Society for potential impact on significant archeological and historical and geological resources. However, no ordinance has been developed. As part of the General Plan Review process, policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan are being reviewed to determine which policies still serve a purpose and should be kept/modified and which ones have served their purpose or are no longer relevant and should be deleted.

103 PROGRAM 0S-L.A

Deliverable: In cooperation with the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) and the Association for the Beautification of Highway 99, creation of a landscape master plan and design guidelines for the Highway 99 corridor.				
The County, in cooperation with the Council of Fresno County Governments and the Association for the Beautification of Highway 99, shall participate in establishing a landscape master plan and design guidelines for the Highway 99 corridor. The plan and guidelines	The landscape master plan has been developed and adopted by the Association for the Beautification of Highway 99 and its member agencies. Draft design guidelines for the Highway 99 corridor have been approved by the Association and are being reviewed by the		This program has been implemented via adoption of Amendment to Text (AT) No. 361 on July 8, 2008, and has been incorporated into the Zoning Ordinance.	This program has been implemented via adoption of Amendment to Text (AT) No. 361 on July 8, 2008, and has been incorporated into the Zoning Ordinance. This program will be deleted.

shall unify the design features of the Highway 99 corridor while recognizing the individuality of each community.	member agencies. The existence of the master plan was instrumental in the allocation of Caltrans funding of a Highway 99 beautification pilot project. The master plan is also being considered as the County and the Cities of Fowler, Kingsburg and Selma pursue joint planning along the Golden State Corridor.			
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104 PROGRAM 0S-L.B

Deliverable: In consultation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), application for scenic highway designation for state highway segments eligible for such designation.				
The County shall work with the California Department of Transportation to apply for scenic highway designation for the State highway segments eligible for such designation, and take necessary steps for approval, including adoption of scenic corridor protection programs for eligible segments.	Future FY.		County staff collaborated with the Sierra Gateway Trust, Inc. and Caltrans in pursuit of a State Official Scenic Highway designation for segments of SR 180. Staff of the County and Caltrans with the Sierra Gateway Trust have worked together to complete the proposed Visual Assessment and Corridor Protection Program in support of a State Official Scenic Highway designation status for approximately 60.7 miles of the eastern segments of SR 180. On October 15, 2015, the Caltrans Director approved designation of the two sections of eastern SR 180 from the Alta Main Canal near Minkler to near the General Grant Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park, and the General Grant Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park to Kings Canyon National Park boundary near Cedar Grove as a State Scenic Highway.	County staff collaborated with the Sierra Gateway Trust, Inc. and Caltrans in pursuit of a State Official Scenic Highway designation for segments of SR 180. Staff of the County and Caltrans with the Sierra Gateway Trust worked together to complete the Visual Assessment and Corridor Protection Program in support of a State Official Scenic Highway designation status for approximately 60.7 miles of the eastern segments of SR 180. On October 15, 2015, the Caltrans Director approved designation of the two sections of eastern SR 180 from the Alta Main Canal near Minkler to near the General Grant Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park, and the General Grant Grove section of Kings Canyon National Park to Kings Canyon National Park boundary near Cedar Grove as a State Scenic Highway.

COUNTY COMPLIANCE WITH PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO IMPLEMENT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY ELEMENT

**DIRECTIVE IN THE
2000 GENERAL PLAN**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE 2001/2002 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN
THE DRAFT 2015 APR**



**STATUS AS NOTED IN THE
DRAFT 2019 APR**



105 PROGRAM HS-A.A

Deliverable: Maintenance of local, state and federal agreements for coordinating disaster response.

The County shall maintain agreements with other local, State, and Federal agencies to provide coordinated disaster response.

The County, through its County OES, has been participating in ongoing meetings. County OES has been participating in ongoing meetings including the quarterly Mutual Aid Regional Advisory Committee (MARAC), the biannual Region V FBI/OES Counter Terrorism Preparedness Committee, and the annual flood preparedness conference for the purpose of ensuring understanding and multi-agency response coordination in disasters. County OES is also a participant in the development of the federally funded Metropolitan Medical Response System in cooperation with the City of Fresno, and administered by the US Public Health Service. County OES is assisting the Dept. of Community Health, Environmental Health System's Emergency Response Team in the updating and revision of the County's Hazardous Materials Incident Response plan to include response to weapons of mass destruction.

On November 14, 1995, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors adopted the State's Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS), established the geographic area of the County of Fresno as the Fresno County Operational Area, and designated Fresno County as the Operational Area Lead Agency. In the County's role as the Operational Area lead agency, County OES maintains ongoing communication with local government agencies (County Departments, Incorporated Cities, Special Districts, and Public School Districts), as well as many State and Federal agencies and nonprofit organizations to maintain and enhance the communities capability to respond to and recover from disasters.

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	<p>County OES continues to operate and coordinate with other agencies under the principles of the State's Standardized Emergency Mgmt. System (SEMS) and the State's Master Mutual Aid Agreement as adopted by the State and the Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>During the upcoming year, County OES intends to review and update the Fresno County Operational Area Master Emergency Services Plan. The Department of Public Works and Planning will compile and maintain an active list of, and develop agreements with, area contractors and equipment suppliers having key, specific equipment which would prove beneficial to a disaster response and post disaster debris clearing effort.</p> <p>Additionally, the Department of Public Works and Planning will seek to institute mutual aid agreements with other key agencies (local, State and Federal) to facilitate funding and implementation of the necessary disaster response and post disaster clearing efforts. As these documents are developed and finalized through County Counsel and any ancillary County Departments they will brought before the Board of Supervisors for approval.</p>				
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Deliverable: Ongoing monitoring and periodic evaluation of the County's emergency planning, operations and training capabilities.

<p>The County shall continue to monitor and periodically evaluate County emergency planning, operations, and training capabilities.</p>	<p>OES has been involved in the review, update and development of several aspects of emergency planning, operations and response. OES has worked with Law Enforcement, Fire, EMS, Environmental Health, Public Health, Public Works and Agriculture, to evaluate the County's vulnerability, capabilities and needs related to responding to a terrorist act. OES routinely participates in planning and training activities regarding emergency communications, terrorism preparedness, mass care and shelter, disaster mitigation, and flood preparedness. OES regularly receives and distributes a variety of planning documents and training opportunity announcements concerning disaster preparedness, mitigation, assistance and emergency management. OES is working with other agencies to update and enhance the County's Hazardous Materials Incident Response Plan and the Metropolitan Medical Response System Plan. OES is also facilitating the development of a public health preparedness plan to enhance the County's capacity to respond to bioterrorism, infectious disease outbreaks, and other public health threats. During the upcoming year, OES will continue to participate in local, regional and State planning, preparedness and training activities.</p>	<p>The County Office of Emergency Services (OES) implements this program on an ongoing basis. OES is located within the Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Division and coordinates planning, preparedness, response and recovery efforts for disasters occurring within the unincorporated areas of Fresno County. Fresno County OES coordinates the development and maintenance of the Fresno County Operational Area Master Emergency Services Plan, which is updated periodically.</p>	<p>The County Office of Emergency Services (OES) implements this program on an ongoing basis. OES is located within the Department of Public Health, Environmental Health Division and coordinates planning, preparedness, response and recovery efforts for disasters occurring within the unincorporated areas of Fresno County. Fresno County OES coordinates the development and maintenance of the Fresno County Operational Area Master Emergency Services Plan, which is updated periodically.</p>
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107 PROGRAM HS-A.C

Deliverable: Ongoing periodic evaluation of County-owned safety and emergency management facilities and public utility systems for susceptibility to flood damage, seismic events or geological hazards.

<p>The County shall continue to periodically evaluate County-owned safety and emergency management facilities and public utility systems for susceptibility to damage due to flood inundation or seismic or geologic hazards and implement corrective actions should problems be identified.</p>	<p>OES has purchased portable generation equipment to provide temporary electrical power to essential County services in the event commercial electrical power is lost due to floods, seismic events, or other emergency conditions.</p> <p>During the upcoming year, OES will continue to take steps to ensure and enhance the flexibility of Emergency Operation Center capabilities in the event the primary EOC becomes inaccessible due to disaster events.</p> <p>The Maintenance and Operations Division of the Department of Public Works and Planning continues to evaluate its Road Maintenance Area Yards for susceptibility to damage from the noted natural hazards. Any deficiencies that may be identified that would impact the use of these facilities in an emergency will be noted and corrective actions identified.</p>	<p>The County Department of Internal Services will evaluate County facilities in conjunction with concerns raised by the occupying department. Facility issues or damage resulting from events are inspected with the assistance of Risk Management staff and qualified consultants or sub-consultants. Modifications, improvements or construction of new structures to replace existing facilities are also evaluated with the assistance of staff from the Department of Public Works and Planning (Capital Projects Division). A more comprehensive inventory of existing facilities is targeted as budgeting and staffing permit.</p>	<p>The County Department of Internal Services evaluates County facilities in conjunction with concerns raised by the occupying department. Facility issues or any damage resulting from events are inspected with the assistance of Risk Management staff and qualified consultants or sub-consultants. Modifications, improvements or construction of new structures to replace existing facilities are also evaluated with the assistance of staff from the Department of Public Works and Planning. A more comprehensive inventory of existing facilities is targeted as budgeting and staffing permit.</p>
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108 PROGRAM HS-A.D

Deliverable: Ongoing operation of programs that inform the general public of emergency and disaster response procedures.

<p>The County shall continue to conduct programs to inform the general public of emergency preparedness and disaster response procedures.</p>	<p>In the 2001 calendar year, OES conducted a broad-scale radio and television public information campaign to inform the public about general emergency preparedness</p>	<p>The County Office of Emergency Services (OES) implements this program on an ongoing basis. The County OES maintains contact and emergency information on the</p>	<p>The County Office of Emergency Services (OES) implements this program on an ongoing basis. The County OES maintains contact and emergency information on the County's website. The Fresno County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan provides additional details regarding County hazards and responses to mitigate damage or</p>
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	including power outages and energy conservation. OES along with County Adult Protective Services, American Red Cross, California Department of Forestry and the Sierra National Forest worked with interested residents in the Pinehurst/Shaver Lake area to develop an updated plan for evacuation and sheltering during wild land fires. OES provides current disaster information and links to emergency planning and preparedness resources to the general public through the Human Services System web site. OES has provided press releases, press conferences, media interviews, and participated in public forums to provide information to the public on local terrorism preparedness. During the upcoming year OES plans to continue to seek out appropriate opportunities to provide the public with information related to general emergency preparedness as well as disaster specific information.		County's website. The Fresno County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan provides additional details regarding County hazards and responses to mitigate damage or injury. In addition, the Public is also encouraged to obtain family and business preparedness information at websites maintained by The American Red Cross and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).		injury. In addition, the Public is also encouraged to obtain family and business preparedness information at websites maintained by The American Red Cross and FEMA.	
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109 PROGRAM HS-B.A

Deliverable: As part of the building permit plan check process, review of the design of all buildings and structures to ensure that they are constructed to state and local standards.					
The County shall review the design of all buildings and structures to ensure they are designed and constructed to State and local regulations and standards as part of the building permit plan check process.	The recent adoption of Fresno County Ordinance Code Title 15 included adoption of the California State Building Codes. The requirement from these codes provides the minimum standards for life safety in construction. These		The Department of Public Works and Planning continues to review all proposed development to ensure it is designed and constructed to State and local regulations as part of the building permit and plan check process.		The Department of Public Works and Planning continues to review all proposed developments to ensure they are designed and constructed to meet the State and local regulations as part of the building permit and plan check processes.

	requirements are enforced by the Development Services Division through the plan check and building inspection processes.			
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110 PROGRAM HS-C.A

Deliverable: Ongoing participation in the federal Flood Insurance Program and the maintenance of flood hazard maps.

<p>The County shall continue to participate in the Federal Flood Insurance Program. The County shall maintain flood hazard maps and other relevant floodplain data and shall revise or update this information as new information becomes available. In the County's review of applications for building permits and discretionary permits and proposals for capital improvement projects, the County shall determine whether the proposed project is within the 100-year floodplain based on these maps.</p>	<p>The Development Engineering Section of the Maintenance & Operations Division maintains the most current FEMA flood hazard maps and updates the information as necessary or as new data/maps are released by FEMA. All submitted projects are reviewed for conformance to floodplain requirements and encroachment through an engineering review and grading permit review. The Division provides updated copies of the FEMA flood hazard maps to the local engineering community, developers and other public. This program continues to be ongoing in conformance with General Plan requirements. In the recent adoption of Title 15, the County updated its Ordinance Code to comply with the current FEMA/ISO requirements for construction within the designated flood areas. All building permits are reviewed by the Development Services Division to verify that construction conforms to these standards.</p>	<p>The Department of Public Work and Planning maintains the most current FEMA flood hazard maps and updates the information as necessary or as new data/maps are released by FEMA. All submitted projects are reviewed to determine proximity to the 100-year floodplain during the grading permit process.</p>	<p>The Department of Public Works and Planning maintains the most current FEMA flood hazard maps and updates the information as necessary or as new data/maps are released by FEMA. All submitted projects are reviewed to determine proximity to the 100-year floodplain during the grading permit process.</p>
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111 PROGRAM HS-C.B

Deliverable: Ongoing implementation of the County's Floodplain Management Ordinance.

The County shall continue to implement and enforce its Floodplain Management Ordinance.	The Development Engineering Section of the Maintenance & Operations Division enforces the Floodplain Management Ordinance through the review of all submitted projects for conformance to floodplain requirements and encroachment. An engineering review through the grading permit process or other land use submittals determines conformance with the Floodplain Ordinance. This program continues to be ongoing in conformance with the General Plan. During the plan check process the Development Services Division reviews projects to determine inclusion in the flood prone areas and the conditions to be applied to proposed construction. The inspection process verifies construction compliance with the determined conditions.		The Department of Public Works and Planning reviews all submitted projects for conformance with floodplain requirements through the grading permit process.		The Department of Public Works and Planning reviews all submitted projects for conformance with floodplain requirements through the grading permit process.
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112 PROGRAM HS-C.C

Deliverables: Ongoing review of dam failure evacuation plans.

Ongoing dissemination of information on dam failure preparedness.

The County shall continue to develop and review relevant dam failure evacuation plans and continue to provide public information on dam failure preparedness.	OES has reviewed and discussed the draft Fresno County Operational Area Dam Failure Evacuation Plan Element with several agencies and discussed ideas for future inclusion in the plan. During the upcoming year, OES will renew work toward the completion		There are 23 dams within Fresno County that pose a significant risk to people and/or property. The Fresno County Office of Emergency Services has developed dam failure evacuation plans for each of these 23 dams. The Fresno County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan (2009)		There are 23 dams within Fresno County that pose a significant risk to people and/or property. The Fresno County Office of Emergency Services has developed dam failure evacuation plans for each of these 23 dams. The Fresno County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan evaluates dam failure in Fresno County. According to this document, there were 14 dam failures between 1976 and 1983, but all were earthen dams on private property. Although
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	of the draft Fresno County Operational Area Dam Failure Evacuation Plan Element. Staff from the Maintenance & Operations Division of the Department of Public Works and Planning participates in the County's Emergency Services plan in cooperation with the County Office of Emergency Services. Work has been completed for the dam failure evacuation plan for Friant Dam and public preparedness. The next plan to be prepared will be for the Pine Flat Dam. This program continues to be ongoing in conformance with the General Plan.		Section 4.2.9 evaluates dam failure in Fresno County. According to this document, there were 14 dam failures between 1976 and 1983, but all were earthen dams on private property. Although there remains a risk of dam failure in Fresno County, there have not been any failures of major dams.		there remains a risk of dam failure in Fresno County, there have not been any failures of major dams.
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113 PROGRAM HS-D.A

<p>Deliverables: Regular review of information published by the California Division of Mines and Geology.</p> <p>Update of County maps and General Plan Background Report as needed.</p>					
The County shall regularly review readily available information published by the California Division of Mines and Geology and other agencies and use the information to update County maps and the General Plan Background Report.	On-going. The Water, Geology, and Natural Resources Unit regularly reviews the State Mines and Geology website as well as industry newsletters and journals to remain current. No mapping changes were required during this review period.		The County reviews material published by the California Division of Mines and Geology and updates the maps and the General Plan Background Report as necessary. Further, County staff actively engages with and discusses proposed mining projects with State Mining and Geology Board staff.		The County reviews material published by the California Division of Mines and Geology and updates the maps and the General Plan Background Report as necessary. Further, County staff actively engages with and discusses proposed mining projects with State Mining and Geology Board staff.

114 PROGRAM HS-D.B

Deliverable: Inventory of unreinforced masonry structures within unincorporated Fresno County constructed prior to 1948.				
The County shall inventory unreinforced masonry structures, including emergency facilities and other critical facilities constructed prior to 1948, used for human occupancy (excluding single-family residential structures), and evaluate the facilities for seismic safety. If found below acceptable standards, the County shall implement a program to mitigate potential hazards.	Upon further research it was found that a survey was conducted in 1991 to identify all unreinforced masonry building in the unincorporated areas of Fresno County. The survey did not identify any building in this category, therefore, no implementation program has been developed to mitigate potential hazards in unreinforced masonry building within the unincorporated areas.		A survey was conducted in 1991 to identify all unreinforced masonry buildings in the unincorporated areas of Fresno County. The survey did not identify any building to be below acceptable standards. Since unreinforced masonry buildings are not allowed within the unincorporated areas, this program will be deleted as part of the ongoing General Plan Review process.	A survey was conducted in 1991 to identify all unreinforced masonry buildings in the unincorporated areas of Fresno County. The survey did not identify any building to be below acceptable standards. Since unreinforced masonry buildings are not allowed within the unincorporated areas, this program will be deleted as part of the ongoing General Plan Review process.

115 PROGRAM HS-D.C

Deliverable: Development of a public awareness program to aid in the identification and mitigation of unreinforced masonry structures.				
The County shall develop a public awareness program to aid in the identification and mitigation of unreinforced masonry structures.	Since no unreinforced masonry buildings have been located within the unincorporated areas of the County a public awareness program has been not been developed.		Because no unreinforced masonry buildings have been located within the unincorporated areas of the County, a public awareness program has not been developed.	Because no unreinforced masonry buildings have been located within the unincorporated areas of the County, a public awareness program has not been developed. This program will be deleted as part of the ongoing General Plan Review process.

116 PROGRAM HS-E.A

Deliverable: Referral of development projects within the Airport Review Area for review by the Fresno County Airport Land Use Commission.				
The County shall refer to the Fresno County Airport Land Use Commission for review projects	All applicable plan amendments and rezonings continue to be referred to the Airport Land Use Commission		All applicable land use applications are referred to the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) that is	All applicable land use applications are referred to the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) that is administered by FCOG, for evaluation of consistency with the appropriate Airport Land Use

within the Airport Review Area requiring amendments of general, community and specific plans, airport master plans, rezoning applications, zoning ordinance text amendments, and building code amendments for consistency with the appropriate Airport Land Use Policy Plan.	(ALUC) for evaluation of consistency with the appropriate Airport Land Use Policy Plan. Recommendations of the ALUC are incorporated into staff's evaluation and forwarded to the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors on those discretionary applications subject to ALUC review.		administered by Fresno COG for evaluation of consistency with the appropriate Airport Land Use Policy Plan. Recommendations of the ALUC are incorporated into staff's evaluation and forwarded to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.		Policy Plan. Recommendations of the ALUC are incorporated into staff's evaluation and forwarded to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors.	
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117 PROGRAM HS-F.A

Deliverable: Review of the reduction, storage and recycling of hazardous waste for discretionary uses which involve hazardous materials or generate hazardous wastes in regulated quantities.						
The County shall review discretionary uses which involve use of hazardous materials or generate hazardous wastes in regulated quantities.	Applications for Site Plan Reviews for all new multi-family residential, commercial and industrial projects are routed to the Health Department for comment, and conditions of approval are incorporated into the Site Plan Review approval letter. The County conducted an assessment of the facilities that would be regulated under Policy HS-F.2. Businesses regulated and inspected for hazardous materials handling and hazardous waste generation were evaluated for their numbers and size. County staff conducted numerous area surveys to calculate the number of businesses affected under this policy. A time task analysis was created to estimate the amount of staff time needed to properly implement the programs. The FY 02-03 budget provided for addition staff positions to address the increased demand in services.		The County Department of Public Health continues to review discretionary uses that generate hazardous materials. The Department of Public Works and Planning routes discretionary permit applications to the Health Department for review and comment. Any proposed project that may generate hazardous material will be required to comply with the recommended conditions or mitigation measures.		The County Health Department continues to review discretionary uses that generate hazardous materials. The Department of Public Works and Planning routes discretionary permit applications to the Health Department for review and comment. Any proposed project that may generate hazardous material will be required to comply with the recommended conditions or mitigation measures.	

	The County is continuing a program of industry education explaining the implementation of the program. As land use projects from various County and City planning departments are reviewed, new businesses that will be regulated are identified and advised of their regulatory oversight.			
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118 PROGRAM HS-F.B

Deliverable: Investigation of funding for site acquisition, development and operation of a permanent household waste facility.				
The County shall investigate funding alternatives for site acquisition, development, and operation for a permanent household waste facility.	The Resources Division has secured a \$300,000 grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board for the siting of a permanent household hazardous waste collection facility. Work on acquiring the site and developing the facility is ongoing.		On March 14, 2013 the County received Planning Commission approval to permit the establishment of a 15,000 square-foot household hazardous waste facility at the American Avenue Landfill. This Facility has since been constructed and is operational.	<p>On March 14, 2013, the County received Planning Commission's approval to permit the establishment of a 15,000 square-foot household hazardous waste facility at the American Avenue Landfill. This Facility has since been constructed and is operational.</p> <p>On October 22, 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved CUP No. 3629 authorizing the establishment of a 2.67-acre Regional Environmental Compliance Center for collection of household hazardous waste. This facility has not yet been constructed.</p>

119 PROGRAM HS-F.C

Deliverable: Review of plans to mitigate soil or groundwater contamination from hazardous waste for redevelopment and infill projects.				
The County shall review the plans to mitigate soil or groundwater contamination for redevelopment or infill projects.	The County has continued with the implementation of the Contaminated Site Oversight Program for the remediation of contaminated properties due to the use of underground storage tanks. Additionally, the County has also continued to coordinate with		Development projects are referred to Environmental Health for review and comments. If the subject site is identified as a contaminated site, Environmental Health recommends mitigation measures to address soil or groundwater contamination. Further, as part of the	Development projects are referred to the County Health Department for review and comment. If the subject site is identified as a contaminated site, Health Department staff recommends mitigation measures to address soil or groundwater contamination. Further, as part of the environmental review process, staff has the ability to access State and Federal databases for contaminated sites and can apply appropriate mitigation to discretionary land use projects via comments from

	<p>appropriate State and Federal agencies for those sites which have contaminated the ground water. These activities are planned to continue into the upcoming year. During the upcoming year, the County will be assessing the draft Response Action Regulations developed for the remediation of contamination from activities other than underground storage tanks. The contamination may be due to the illegal manufacturing of narcotics, hazardous waste spills or hazardous materials releases. Development Services assists in avoidance of future problems by verifying the required horizontal separation between onsite sewage disposal system and the source of the domestic water supply through the plan check and inspection processes. The proper construction of disposal system also protects the underground water table by verifying the required vertical separation between the disposal field and the water table.</p>		<p>environmental review process, staff has the ability to access State and Federal databases for contaminated sites and can apply appropriate mitigation to discretionary land use projects via comments from State, Federal or local agencies.</p>		<p>State, Federal or local agencies.</p>	
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120 PROGRAM HS-G.A

<p>Deliverable: Amendment of the Noise Ordinance, as necessary, to ensure conformity with the General Plan.</p>						
<p>The County shall amend and enforce the Fresno County Noise Ordinance as necessary consistent with the policies and standards within this element.</p>	<p>An amendment to the County's Noise Ordinance, proposed by County Counsel, was approved by the Board of Supervisors. This amendment clarified that property owners are liable for violations of the noise ordinance occurring on their property. The amendment further defined "any person" to</p>		<p>The County Environmental Health Division will continue to enforce the Fresno County Noise Ordinance and amend its policies as necessary. Discretionary land use permits which may generate excessive noise levels are often required to complete a noise analysis, and proposals within</p>		<p>The County Health Department will continue to enforce the Fresno County Noise Ordinance and amend its policies as necessary. Discretionary land use permits which may potentially generate excessive noise levels are often required to complete a noise analysis, and proposals within designated noise areas of airports are evaluated or limited to avoid conflicts with General Plan noise standards.</p>	

	<p>include an owner of a property, whether through the owner or the owner's agent, lessee, sublessor, sublessee or occupant. The County's intent is to hold landlords liable for knowing violations of the Noise Ordinance by their tenants. The County's Noise Ordinance will be further evaluated to determine if additional amendments will be necessary to be consistent with the current Noise Element of the General Plan.</p> <p>The noise ordinance was addressed in the adoption of Title 15. A map identifying the noise impact areas in the vicinity of the Fresno Yosemite International Airport has been created and Development Services applies the requirements of Title 15 through the plan check and inspection processes.</p>		designated noise areas of airports are evaluated or limited to avoid conflicts with General Plan noise standards.		
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121 PROGRAM HS-G.B

<p>Deliverable: Development of a noise control program that includes...</p> <p>(a) An ordinance defining effective noise control and exemptions, setting forth monitoring methodology and delineating enforcement and abatement procedures.</p> <p>(b) A public information program to inform county residents of the impact of noise on their lives.</p>					
<p>The County shall develop an effective noise control program that includes:</p> <p>a. An ordinance (1) defining acceptable noise levels based on land use, (2) setting forth monitoring methodology and determination of violations, (3) defining exemptions and variance procedures, and (4) delineating</p>	<p>An ordinance as described in item #1 is currently in place. During the past eighteen months, the County has received six complaints relative to noise in the unincorporated area which were addressed by the Environmental Health System. Of those six, two were invalid, one was withdrawn, two were valid and abated, and one is currently being addressed by this Department.</p>		<p>All land use projects are evaluated for potential noise impacts as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and appropriate mitigation measures are incorporated as necessary. As stated in response to HS-G.A above, staff coordinates with the Health Department regarding discretionary land use permits, and additional evaluation may be required for excessive noise</p>		<p>All land use projects are evaluated for potential noise impacts as required by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and appropriate mitigation measures are incorporated as necessary. As stated in response to HS-G.A above, staff coordinates with the County Health Department regarding discretionary land use permits, and additional evaluation may be required for projects that may potentially generate excessive noise levels. However, a noise control program that addresses all components of this Implementation Program has not been developed.</p>

<p>enforcement and abatement procedures; and</p> <p>b. A public information program to inform county residents of the impact of noise on their lives.</p>	<p>Additionally, all land use projects are evaluated for potential noise impacts and appropriate mitigation measures are incorporated as necessary.</p> <p>During the upcoming year, the Environmental Health System intends to work with the Department of Public Works and Planning to update the HSS website to include information relative to community noise.</p> <p>The acceptable noise levels referenced in A1 were addressed in the adoption of Title 15. A map identifying the noise impact areas has yet to be created in the County's GIS system so that applicability determinations can be made during the plan check process. Once applicability has been made, Development Services will apply the requirements of Title 15 through the plan check and inspection processes.</p>		<p>generating uses. However, a noise control program that addresses all components of this implementation Program has not been developed.</p>			
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From: RUDY SAVALA <RUDYSAVALA@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 3:44 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: General Pan Annual Progress Report

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Please do not accept an 2020 APR as recommended by your staff. It is not a progress report as prescribed state law. It does not provide your decision making body with information about the progress the County is making in implementing its 2000 General Plan for Fresno County nor does it inform your Board about why County policies are working or not working. The 2020 APR is useless as a report on the progress or lack of policy implementation. The Board should reject the APR as recommended by the Planning Commission and demand instead an informative report on the successes and failures of the 2000 General Plan and prompt a serious public discussion about policies for Fresno County which will address contemporary public policy issues. Mary Savala

Sent from Xfinity Connect App

From: Cathy Ratmeyer <cathyratmeyer@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 22, 2020 2:17 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Fresno County General Plan Annual Progress Report for 2019

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I concur with the Planning Commission's recommendation to NOT accept the APR as written and agree with the analysis provided by the League of Women Voters.

Catherine Ratmeyer.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Nancy Griesser <nancyg@mail.fresnostate.edu>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 4:51 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Item No. 15, County General Plan Annual Progress Report for 2019

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Fresno County Board of Supervisors
Board Meeting on November 24, 2020
Item No. 15
Comments on Agenda Item No. 15

I am writing in support of the Fresno County Planning Commission's recommendation not to accept the County General Plan Annual Progress Report for 2019 as written. It is my understanding that the Commission has serious concerns about the accuracy and completeness of the report. Further, the League of Women Voters of Fresno finds that the 2019 APR lacks critical information that is required by statute.

I respectfully request that your Board direct staff to revise the report and then return the 2019 APR to the Planning Commission and to your Board for reconsideration.

Sincerely,
Nancy Griesser
1626 E. Salem Ave.
Fresno, CA 93720

From: Ken Wall <kwall9175@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 5:43 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Comment for agenda item

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Board of Supervisors

With respect to agenda item #15 for the November 24, 2020 meeting, I wish to offer the following comment. I enthusiastically endorse the Planning Commission's recommendation that the recently submitted Annual Progress Report not be accepted as written. I am disappointed that the report does not properly address many requirements of the general plan, and I am sure Planning staff can do better with encouragement from the Board. Thank you.

Ken Wall
255 DeWitt #B
Clovis, CA 93612

From: Ruth Afifi <ruth37@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 5:55 PM
To: BOSComments
Subject: Board Meeting on November 24, 2020, Item No. 15, Comments on Agenda Item No. 15

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I understand that the Fresno County Planning Commission has recommended not to accept the County General Plan Annual Progress Report for 2019 because the Commission is concerned about the report's accuracy and completeness. In addition, the League of Women Voters of Fresno has determined that the 2019 Annual Progress Report lacks critical information required by statute.

Please direct your staff to revise the 2019 Annual Progress Report. After the report has been revised, it should be returned to the Planning Commission and to your Board for reconsideration.

Sincerely,

Ruth Afifi
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559-297-8582

From: radleyreep@netzero.net
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2020 11:40 PM
To: BOSComments
Cc: fourkasts@gmail.com
Subject: Public Comment on Board Agenda Item No. 15 for November 24, 2020 - 201 9
General Plan Annual Progress Report
Attachments: 2020 - 11-23 - Radley Reep's Comment Letter to the BOS - Agenda Item No. 15 on
November 24 ,2020 - 2019 APR.pdf

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November 23, 2020

Bernice E. Seidel
Clerk to the Board
Fresno County Board of Supervisors

Dear Bernice,

Please enter the attached document into the administrative record as public comment on Agenda Item No. 15 (2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report), which will be heard by the Board of Supervisors on November 24, 2020.

Thank you,

Radley Reep
radleyreep@netzero.com
(559) 326-6227

November 23, 2020

Fresno County Board of Supervisors
2281 Tulare Street, Room 301
Fresno, CA 93721

Re: November 24, 2020 Board Agenda Item No. 15: 2019 General Plan Annual
Progress Report

Dear Chairman Mendes and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

These comments focus primarily on the content of the November 24, 2020 staff report to your Board, secondarily on the content of the draft Annual Progress Report (APR) for calendar 2019. The intent of these comments to provide your Board with the clearest possible understanding of deficiencies associated with the APR.

Because the staff report to your Board does not explain the purpose for preparing APRs, I have included statements on that topic from the General Plan Guidelines (2017) prepared by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research. According to OPR, the purpose of the report is to...

- Provide enough information to allow local legislative bodies to assess how the general plan is being implemented in accordance with adopted goals, policies, and implementation measures.
- Provide enough information to identify necessary course adjustments or modifications to the general plan as a means to improve local implementation.
- Provide a clear correlation between land use decisions that have been made during the 12-month reporting period and the goals, policies, and implementation measures contained in the general plan.
- Provide information regarding local agency progress in meeting its share of regional housing needs and removing governmental constraints to the development of housing pursuant to Government Code section 65583(c)(3).

1. Misinformation in the Staff Report to your Board

The staff report contains a misstatement that Government Code Section 65400 “requires generalized reporting” on the implementation of the General Plan, as well as a misstatement that the APR “is not required to incorporate all General Plan Elements.”

These two statements are simply wrong. Reporting must be specific enough to satisfy the objectives listed on the previous page, and the APR must address implementation of the entire plan. No major components of the General Plan should escape review.

Government Code Section 65400(a)(2)(A) contains a straightforward statement about what an APR must cover: “The status of the plan and progress in its implementation.” That said, the draft 2019 APR only fulfills half of that directive. It does not report on progress in the plan’s implementation. This is clear from two statements in the prologue to the draft 2019 APR: “Government Code Section 65400 requires that the County provide a report on the status of implementing the General Plan,” and “The purpose of the APR is to inform the Board of Supervisors on the status of implementing the County General Plan.” There is no statement in the 2019 APR that the document evaluates the progress made toward implementing the plan.

Another misstatement in the staff report is this: The draft 2019 APR “informs your Board of the implementation of the policies and programs of all elements of the General Plan.” While it is true that the APR provides a report on all 140 programs in the General Plan, it only comments incidentally on 7 (1%) of the plan’s 639 policies. Programs, yes; policies, no.

One final misstatement. The staff report informs your Board that on October 5, 2020, the League of Women Voters of Fresno (League) submitted a letter to the County requesting “clarification” of 12 Economic Development programs. That’s not so. The League asked the County for “assistance” in obtaining additional information about those same programs. The County chose not to respond to the League’s request for assistance, nor to respond to a courtesy reminder sent to the County October 13, 2020,

nor to an in-person appearance before the Board on November 2, 2020, at which time a League member emphasized the importance of receiving the requested assistance.

Late last week when the agenda for the November 24, 2020 Board meeting was released, the League discovered that the staff report for Agenda Item No. 15 (Consider and adopt Resolution accepting the 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report) contained a statement that the League had asked for "clarification" regarding the implementation of 12 programs in the Economic Development Element. Importantly, the League did not ask for that information, and the "clarification" proved to be less than helpful.

As a result of finding such "clarification" in the staff report, the League contacted the Fresno County Economic Development Corporation (EDC), a public/private nonprofit 501(c)(6) organization which, according to the staff report, is under contract to manage "certain Economic Development functions" of the County. (The draft 2019 APR was more informative, stating that "The County is currently contracting with the Fresno County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) for implementation of the Economic Development Element Programs of the County General Plan.")

Thanks to the efforts of the EDC, a conference call was arranged for Monday, November 23, 2020 at 10:00 AM. On that call were EDC staff, County staff and members of the League, including me. The call confirmed for me that while the economic goals of the County and the EDC are closely aligned and while the daily activities of the EDC help the County reach its economic goals, documentation of the implementation of particular County economic development programs is practically nonexistent.

In brief, the League did not seek the "clarification" provided by staff, and the new information did not change the League's finding that the County is unable to demonstrate in its 2019 APR that the majority of the programs in the Economic Development Element are being implemented as prescribed in the General Plan.

2. The Superior Court Ruling Related to General Plan Amendment 511

The 2019 APR contains a description of two General Plan amendments that were approved in calendar year 2019: GPA No. 554, approved August 6, 2019, which redesignated a five-acre area of a 40-acre parcel in the Millerton Specific Plan from "Park" to "Medium Density Residential" and which redesignated approximately thirteen-acres within that same parcel from "Medium Density Residential" to "Open Space;" and GPA No. 556, approved December 10, 2019, which redesignated a 0.34-acre parcel from "Low Density Residential" to "Medium Density Residential" in the Roosevelt Community Plan.

These two amendments resulted in rather minor changes to the General Plan. That said, the 2019 APR did not report a change to the General Plan affecting several hundred acres near the community of Friant. On March 19, 2019, the Fresno County Superior Court ruled that the County was to set aside approval of General Plan Amendment 511, which had been approved by the County on February 1, 2011 and which provided for the update of the Friant Community Plan and the adoption of the Friant Ranch Specific Plan. Real Party in Interest Friant Ranch, LP appealed that final judgment and writ; however, the County of Fresno, also a party to the suit, did not.

The 2019 APR should have acknowledged the 2019 Superior Court ruling and contained a discussion of the remedy for complying with that court order.

3. Delay in Holding the Public Hearing for the 2019 APR

According to Government Code Section 65400(a)(2), an APR must be submitted to the state no later than April 1. Section 65400(a)(2)(B)(ii) states that prior to doing so, the "report shall be considered at an annual public meeting before the legislative body where members of the public shall be allowed to provide oral testimony and written comments." As explained in the staff report to your Board, despite this statutory requirement, the County submitted its 2019 APR to the state on March 30, 2020 without holding the requisite hearing.

The staff report claims that the 8-month delay in holding the public meeting was because public meetings were suspended as a result of the coronavirus outbreak. The staff report adds that OPR informed staff that the APR could be submitted prior to formal County action provided documentation of County action was provided when formal action was taken.

As a member of the public not privy to the staff decision back in March to submit the 2019 APR to the state without the required public meeting, I have a somewhat different take on the situation — especially since staff did not bother to inform the Planning Commission or the public that it had done so.

First, as you well know, OPR staff does not have license to authorize sidestepping the law. Secondly, in the past, the County has shown little concern for meeting the April 1st due date.

Printed below are the hearing dates for every progress report prepared for the 2000-2020 General Plan.

Annual Progress Reports	Planning Commission Hearings	Board of Supervisors Hearings
For October 3, 2000 to June 30, 2002	04/24/03	06/10/03
For Calendars years 2013 and 2014	02/26/15	03/24/15
For Calendar year 2015	07/21/16	09/13/16
For Calendar year 2016	03/30/17	06/06/17
For Calendar year 2017	03/15/18	05/08/18
For Calendar year 2018	04/11/19	06/04/19
For Calendar year 2019	03/12/20 & 09/10/20	11/24/20

In all but on instance, the County submitted its APR after April 1st. For calendar year 2015, it was not until September 13th. Furthermore, prior to the pandemic becoming an influencing factor, the County had scheduled the Board hearing on the 2019 APR for April 28th — four weeks after the due date.

So, it's evident to me that the County did not submit the APR to the state on March 30 out of concern for missing the April 1st deadline.

4. Revising the 2019 APR

The staff report to your Board contains three all-important statements:

1. "The 2019 APR meets the statutory requirements of Government Code Section 65400."
2. "The APR has been prepared in conformance with County General Plan Policy LU-H.12."
3. "Actions taken by the decision-making bodies must be consistent with the General Plan."

The first statement is false. The 2019 APR does not meet the requirements of Government Code Section 65400. The APR does not report on the progress made to implement the plan, as required by Section 65400(a)(2)(A), and it does not report the degree to which the General Plan complies with guidelines developed by OPR, as required by Section 65400(a)(2)(F).

The second statement is likewise false, but in a less transparent way. Policy LU-H.12 is not the controlling directive. Policy LU-H.12 simply reads, "The County shall review the General Plan annually and revise it as deemed necessary." It's Program LU-H.D that spells out how APRs are to be prepared and what they are to contain. Program LU-H.D reads in full, "The Planning Commission shall review the General Plan annually, focusing principally on actions undertaken in the previous year to carry out the implementation programs of the plan. The Planning Commission's report to the Board of Supervisors shall include, as the Commission deems appropriate, recommendations for amendments to the General Plan. This review shall also be used to satisfy the requirements of Public Resources Code 21081.6 for a mitigation monitoring program. (See Policy LU-H.12)"

The APR does not satisfy the requirements of Public Resources Code 21081.6, which requires the County to monitor the environmental mitigation measures that were approved as part of the adoption of the General Plan.

And with regard to the third and last statement — that actions made by decision-making bodies must be consistent with the General Plan, until the 2019 APR meets the requirements of General Plan Program LU-H.D, the County, by its own admission, cannot approve the report.

Alternative Board Action — Not Accepting the 2019 APR as Written

Your Board should not accept the 2019 APR as written but should, instead, return it to staff for revision. Why? Here are four very good reasons.

- A revised APR would conform to statutory requirements.
- A revised APR would conform to directives in the General Plan.
- A revised APR would give Board members and the public a complete and accurate picture of the County's ability to implement the General Plan.
- A revised APR would simplify and uncomplicate future reporting.

Since the County has already submitted its 2019 APR to the state, there is now no deadline to meet. The revision can take its time, and with the help of county residents, produce a report that's truly useful.

Food for thought. In three months' time, the Planning Commission will again be preparing an APR — this time for calendar 2020. If your Board does not take steps now to improve the quality of the County's APRs, then aggravation over the preparation of the APR will likely surface once again.

The best solution — and I believe it's a solution that county residents and County government can agree on — is to prepare an APR that's acceptable to everyone.

As a final comment, I saw on page one of the staff report that the recommended action is to "Adopt Resolution accepting the 2019 General Plan Annual Progress Report." County staff could have paid tribute to the Planning Commission's struggle with the 2019 APR by not stating what staff recommends but by stating what the Commission recommends, namely, that your Board not accept the report as currently drafted.

Please decide to return the report to staff for revision and subsequent reconsideration by the Planning Commission and your Board.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Radley Reep". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Radley Reep

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NOVEMBER 17, 2020

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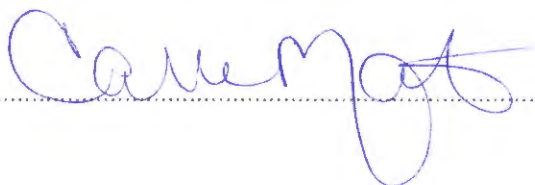
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