

The Countywide Visioning and Planning Committee

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CONCEPTUAL PLAN OBJECTIVES

Guiding Principals

- Concentrate future growth within existing municipal boundaries
- Create greenbelts/open spaces as buffers between communities
- Preserve the unique character of existing downtowns and town centers
- Focus future annexations primarily on enclaves, urbanized areas and greenbelts
- Promote fiscally efficient growth and land use patterns
- · Protect private property rights
- Ensure equal participation by municipalities, residents and the county in planning for the unincorporated areas
- Facilitate relationship building and communication between communities
- Pursue extraterritorial joint planning concerning major development
- Pursue policies jointly that protect key natural resources

Action Strategies

Intergovernmental Coordination

- Create a multi-jurisdictional task force to amend the Boundary Adjustment Act
- Pursue legislation to allow for the easier annexation of enclaves
- Adopt a new model template for transition of service agreements that distinguishes between rural and urban services

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Comprehensive Planning

• Enter into joint planning area agreements for the unincorporated areas to:



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- Evaluate county and municipal comprehensive plans within the context of the countywide vision
- Integrate the countywide vision into county and municipal comprehensive plans
- Develop special area plans within each community's Reserve Area and Extraterritorial Reserve Area based upon the countywide vision and develop joint planning processes
- Create an incentive program to encourage private landowners to keep their lands in active agricultural use or as undeveloped preserve areas
- Create a Springs Protection and Strategic Resources overlay district in the northwest quadrant of the county

Direct Growth Toward Existing Centers

- Develop strategies and mechanisms to provide technical planning assistance to all communities to implement these action strategies
- Seek funds to assist small towns in funding needed infrastructure improvements to build capacity and spur downtown revitalization
- Develop a countywide economic development strategy to identify opportunities for growth in each municipality consistent with each individual community's economic goals and current economic development plans