

Request for Board Direction

Staff requests that the Board confirm the following:

1. The assumptions made with the adoption of the 2004 General Plan are still valid;
2. Staff should monitor trends in the timber industry, water supply, and housing and employment growth rates for changes that could effect the General Plan assumptions;
3. The 12 month priorities (FY 2009-10) for General Plan implementation and amendment are:
 - Development Services Department
 - Zoning Ordinance update
 - Gabbro soils/rare plant issues
 - Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, Phase 1
 - Agriculture Department
 - Update Agricultural Districts
 - Grazing land/livestock industry provisions
 - Economic Development
 - Regulatory reform
 - Improve permit process
 - Zoning Ordinance update
 - ID resources to accelerate zoning ordinance update
 - Review fee schedule
 - Work with EDAC to identify other General Plan opportunities
 - Transportation Infrastructure
 - Increase revenues/decrease project costs
 - Explore project funding
 - Align economic development opportunities with 20-year CIP
 - Pursuant to policy 2.6.1.4 coordinate land uses with transportation and economic development in the interchange areas.
 - Economic Development Tools
 - Brand and marketing campaign
 - Economic and demographic profiles
 - Community economic development grants for community design guidelines
 - Inventory of vacant and underutilized commercial, industrial and R&D land
 - Regulatory and fiscal incentives for new and existing businesses
 - Identify key economic development projects
 - Department of Transportation
 - Annual update of CIP and TIM fee program
 - Design and Improvement Standards Manual revision
 - Update to the traffic model.
 - Inventory County facilities (owned and leased) strategic plan
 - Sheriff
 - Hazard Mitigation Plan update
 - Environmental Management

- Solid Waste Management Plan
4. Future tasks to be taken up after the priorities in Item 3 are completed:
- Open space/planned development policies amendment (Policy 2.2.3.1 & 2.2.5.4)
 - Pollock Pines Community Region Boundary amendment
 - Mixed Use Development Phase 2
 - INRMP Phase 2
 - Ranch Marketing Ordinance update (LU-A & AF-A)
 - Agricultural land threshold and evaluation system (AF-F)
 - AB32/SB375 Implementation – Could include development of an infill ordinance, adoption of bikeway master plan, or other VMT-reduction programs
 - More effective tracking of land use absorption for monitoring purposes and apply it to each Community Region, Rural Center, and the Rural Region
 - Mitigation measure monitoring and reporting
 - 2013 Housing Element Update (to begin in 2012)

Staff further requests that if additional tasks such as those identified by members of the public, other departments, or Board members are determined to be a priority, that they be added to one of the above lists. New ideas for amendments should be routed through EDAC for further consideration.