General Plan Sonoma

Sonoma County

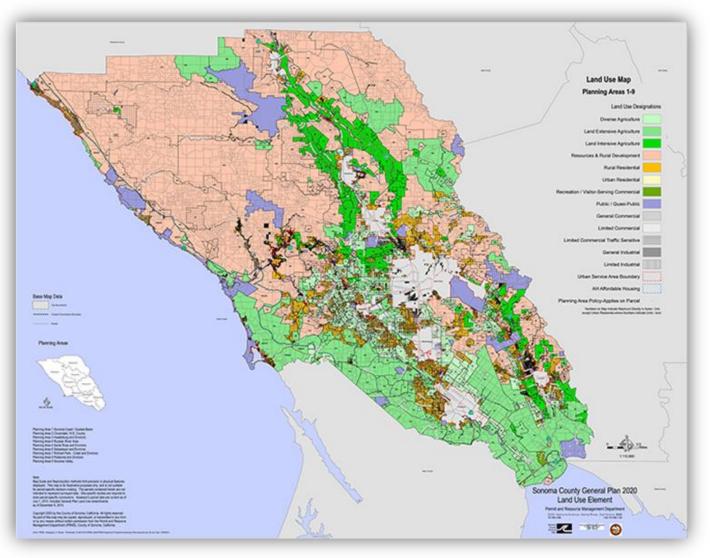


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The General Plan:

- Establishes the long-term community vision for the county
- Plans for how the county will grow and conserve resources
- Guides fair and consistent decisionmaking
- Provides a blueprint for how land can be used in unincorporated parts of the county





Why is the General Plan Important?

The General Plan guides:

- How you and your neighbors can develop and use property
- How easy it is to get to your job and services
- The number and types of jobs available in your community
- The look and feel of neighborhoods







Why is the General Plan Important?

The General Plan guides:

- How roadways are designed and improved
- Number and quality of parks available to you
- Risk to you and your home from hazards
- How cultural and natural resources around you are conserved







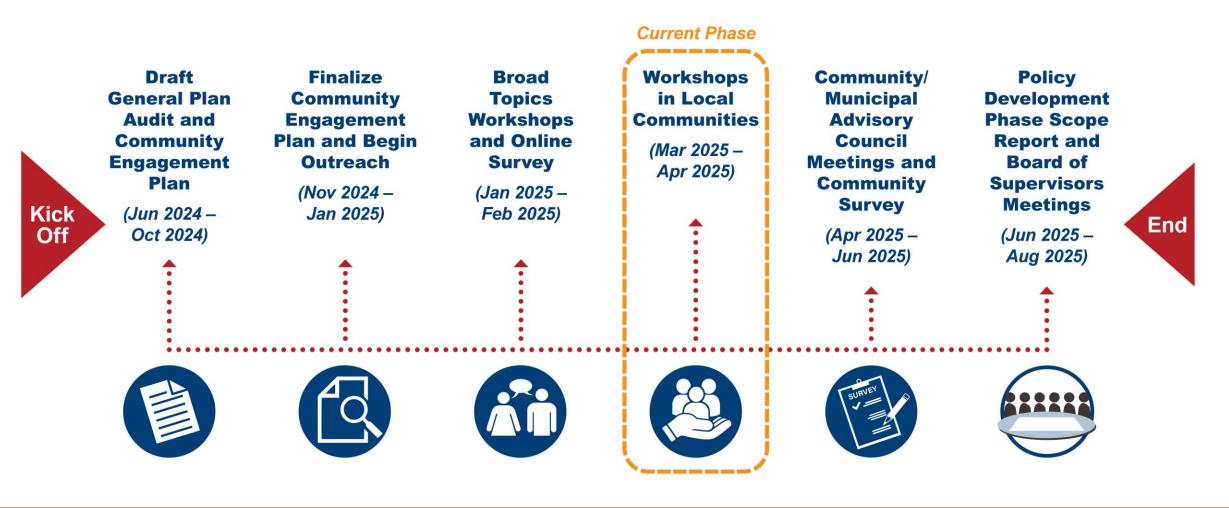
The General Plan Update is **YOUR** chance to have a say in what Sonoma County will be like in the future!



Community Vision (Phase 1)

General Plan Sonoma Overview

Community Vision Phase Schedule:



Community Engagement Process

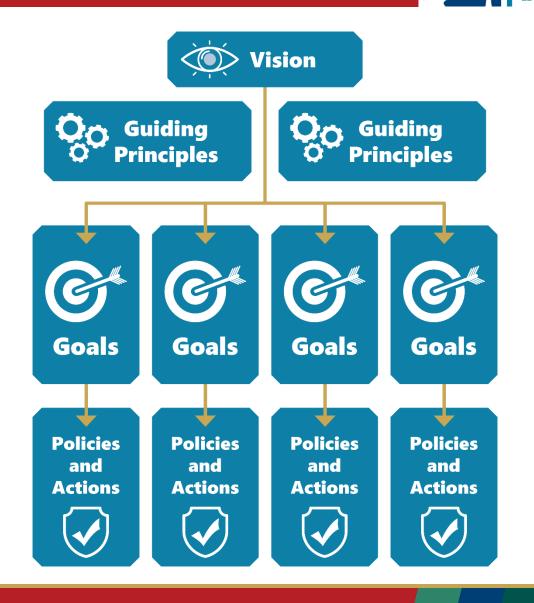
- Community Visioning Workshops
- Online Surveys
- Workshops in Local Communities
- Focus Group Meetings with Underserved Communities
- Community Events
- Community/Municipal Advisory Council Meetings
- Tribal Consultation

Spreading the Word

- Permit Sonoma Website
- Newsletters
- Social Media
- Community-Based Partners
- Help to spread the word to your neighbors and family!

General Plan Vision and Guiding Principles

- Describe the future of Sonoma County as you would like it to be in 20 years
- Express shared community values
- Relate to topics in the General Plan
- Guide preparation of General Plan content
- Guide how the General Plan will be realized
- Are unique to Sonoma County



General Plan Focus Topics

- Growth Management and Development
- Accessibility and Circulation
- Ecology, Sustainability, and Climate
- Utilities
- Economy and Tourism
- Culture, History, and Community
- Protection of Natural Resources
- Agriculture and Food
- Open Space and Scenic Qualities









Call to Action!

Be an <u>ambassador</u> and spread the word about General Plan Sonoma!

- Share and take our General Plan Sonoma vision survey!
- Spread the word about the upcoming Local Communities Visioning Workshops! Meeting details to be posted on the website soon.
- Sign up for our mailing list to stay up to date! Encourage others to sign up too!



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Thank You!

