

Bay Point Community Meeting #2

8/12/2019

## **Workshop Agenda**

- » Welcome and Introductions
- » Presentation:
  - Envision Contra Costa 2040
    Overview
  - Community Guidance
- » Q&A
- » Small Group Conversations
- » Reports Back
- » Next Steps





### **Envision Contra Costa 2040**



General Plan



Zoning Code



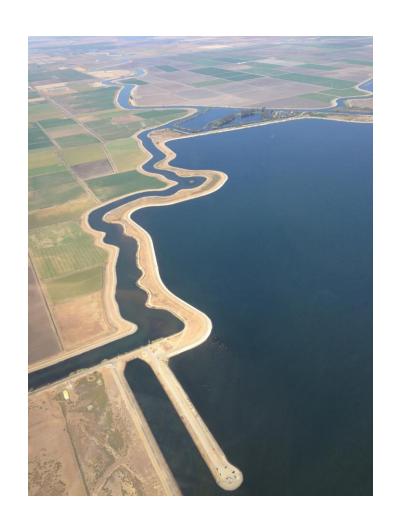
Climate Action Plan

**Environmental Impact Report** 

### What is the General Plan?

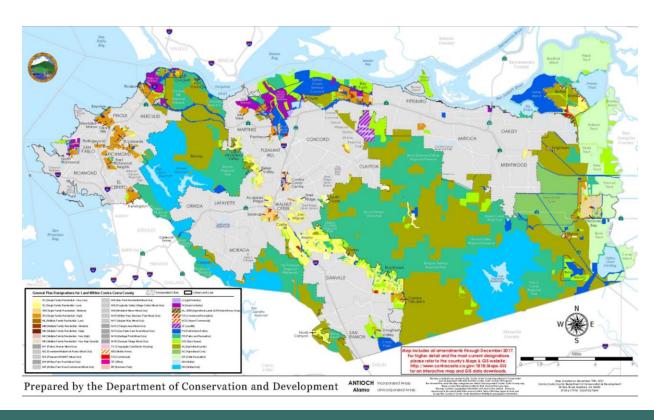
# "Constitution" for development and conservation

- Establishes countywide vision and supporting goals, policies, and implementation measures
- Provides consistent direction for future development
- Balances growth, conservation, and quality of life
- Documents baseline environmental conditions



### Land Use Map

- » Development standards for each land use designation
  - Maximum residential density (housing units per acre)
  - Maximum nonresidential floor area ratio (FAR)
- » Framework for zoning map



## What is the Zoning Code?

- » Zoning map and districts
- » Regulations that control physical development
  - Allowed uses
  - Permitting requirements
  - Specific site development standards setbacks, parking, lighting, signage, fences, trash enclosures, etc.
- » General Plan vs. Zoning Code
  - Zoning Codes implement the General Plan with specific development regulations, e.g.:
    - General Plan = "Commercial"
    - Zoning Code = "Local Commercial"

## Climate Action Plan (CAP) Update

#### » What is the CAP?

- Sets targets for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the county
- Establishes a plan to reach those targets
- Implements the climate-related policy direction of the General Plan



### » Why is the CAP being updated?

- State law has changed since the CAP was adopted (in 2015)
- New strategies are available to reduce pollution
- Evolving understanding of resilience and adaptation
- Opportunity to improve how the CAP is implemented
- More extensive support for greater equity
- CAP can better integrate with the new General Plan

## **CAP Update**

- » CAP identifies steps to reduce pollution in county
- » Every aspect of the community
  - Efficient buildings
  - Clean energy
  - Transportation and land use
  - Waste
  - Water

### » How to get involved

- Sustainability Commission Meetings August 26, October 21, December 9
- Community meetings specific to CAP in September (dates tbd)
- Contact County Sustainability Coordinator, Jody London, <u>Jody.London@dcd.cccounty.us</u>, 925-674-7871



## **Environmental Impact Report (EIR)**

» California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires disclosure of a project's potential impacts on the physical environment

#### » EIR must:

- Disclose information about the effects the project could have on the physical environment
- Identify mitigation measures, if necessary
- Describe feasible alternatives to the proposed project

#### » Public review

- Initial 30-day scoping period tell us what to analyze
- Minimum 45-day review of Draft EIR comment on the analysis

### **Envision Contra Costa 2040 Process**

Phase	Schedule
<b>Existing Conditions</b>	Winter 2018 – Spring 2019
Countywide Updates & Community Profiles	Spring – Fall 2019
<b>Draft General Plan, Zoning Code, and Climate Action Plan</b>	Summer 2019 – Winter 2019/2020
<b>Environmental Impact Report and Fiscal Analysis</b>	Fall 2019 – Summer 2020
<b>Public Review and Adoption</b>	Summer – Winter 2020

## **Opportunities for Public Involvement**

- » Envisioncontracosta2040.org
- » Online Questions
- » Community-Based Meetings
- » Focused Meetings
- » Sustainability Commission
- » Planning Commission
- » Board of Supervisors



## **Community Workshop #1**

#### » Assets

- Small-town ambiance
- Convenient BART/freeway/ regional access
- Marina
- Affordable housing

### » Challenges

- Illegal dumping
- Refinery impacts
- Sea level rise
- Pedestrian and community safety
- Housing displacement/homelessness
- Jobs for local residents



## General Plan Community Guidance

### » Community Profile

- Context
  - Character
  - History
  - Demographics
  - Hazards and vulnerabilities
- Guidance
  - Guiding principles
  - Policies
  - Actions

### » Next Workshop

Review draft profile

**Community Workshop #1** 

**Community Workshop #2** 

## **Workshop Exercise**

- » Break into small groups and discuss draft guiding principles:
  - Are any important guiding principles missing?
  - Should draft guiding principles be changed or removed?
  - How should the County work to achieve the objectives identified in the principles?

### » Guiding principle themes

- Community character
- Mobility
- Housing
- Recreation and access to nature
- Safety and resiliency

## **Workshop Exercise**

### » Reports Back

- Choose a representative from your small group
- Representative summarizes
   highlights of your small group
   discussion to the larger group
- Keep reports brief (1 to 2 minutes)





## **Next Steps**

- » Continue second round of community meetings
  - North Richmond: August 13, 2019
  - Crockett: August 15, 2019
- » Sustainability CommissionMeeting: August 26, 2019
- » Focused meetings







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