Fresno County Regional Early Action Planning Grant (REAP)

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REAP Projects

Create a Guidance
Document for
Community Plans Update
and
Update One Community Plan

Why Community Plans?

- Communities have been requesting their Community Plans to be updated.
- Most plans are over 40 years old
- No Comprehensive updates since inception of most Community Plans.
- Create a streamline process to ensure consistency between plans.
- Provide an easy-to-follow process for staff and/or consultant.
- Create an equitable selection process.



Guidance Document for Community Plans

Fresno County created a Guidance Document to guide the future updating of its unincorporated community plans in Fresno County. It establishes prioritization criteria for updating existing community plans and establishes criteria to determine when it may be appropriate to create a new community plan.

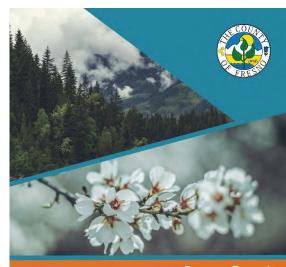


Why Create a Guidance Document for Community Plans?

Establish	Establish a clear selection process for updating existing community plans.
Ensure	Ensure policy consistency with the General Plan and the County's land use policies and infrastructure strategies
Create	Create consistency in formatting of the various community plans to ensure it meets the needs of the numerous Fresno County unincorporated communities
Integrate	Integrate land use, infrastructure, and transportation improvements
Allow	Allows community plans to reflect the future uses of land and needs of each specific community

Fresno County Guidance Document for unincorporated community plans

- The document provides guidance for updating existing community plans and criteria for establishing new unincorporated community plans.
 - ▶ The objectives of community plans
 - ► The relationships of the community plans with the General Plan and other planning instruments
 - ▶ The applicability of community plans
 - ▶ The content of community plans
 - The actions required for adoption and amendment of community plans



Fresno County
GUIDANCE DOCUMENT for
UNINCORPORATED
COMMUNITY PLANS

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Update Prioritization Criteria

General Plan Consistency

1a Is an update to the community plan required to achieve consistency with the General Plan goals and objectives?

Community Interest

- 2a Are there development inquiries or any submitted formal applications related to uses currently lacking in the community (e.g., housing, commercial, public parks)?
- 2b Do the development inquiries require amendment to the land use diagram?

Housing Priorities

- 3a Are there any sites identified or are additional sites needed to address the current cycle Housing Element within the community plan area?
- 3b Is the community plan area anticipated to accommodate additional allocations to satisfy the next cycle Housing Element?

Service Provision and Investment

- 4a Are there presently adequate services to accommodate additional development, or can services be feasibly provided for future development?
- 4b Are there funds available to provide the services (e.g., improvements are programmed in the capital improvements program or budget has been allocated, grant funding opportunities are available)?

Special Districts

- 5a Is there an existing special district that provides water, wastewater, and/or storm drainage services to the community plan area, either in part or in whole?
- 5b If "Yes", is the community plan boundary different from the special district's service area boundary?
- 5c If an update to the special district's service area boundary is needed to accommodate the community plan update, does the special district have a current LAFCO-adopted Municipal Service Review and the capacity (i.e., staff, funding) to accommodate the update?

Environmental Justice

6a Does the Community have a high CalEnviroScreen score?

On July 18, 2023 the Fresno County Board of Supervisors Approved The Guidance Document and Confirmed the Scoring Results for Unincorporated Community Plans

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Score</u>
1 st	Del Rey	32
2 nd	Riverdale	30
3 rd	Biola	30
4 th	Caruthers	29
5 th	Tranquillity	28
6 th	Lanare	25
7 th	Shaver	23
8 th	Easton	22
9 th	Friant	22
10 th	Laton	22

Del Rey Community Plan Update

Del Rey

Kick Off Meeting	12/14
Community Plan Overview	1/16
Vision and Public Facilities	1/30
▶ Circulation	2/13
▶ Internal Land Use	2/27
▶ Planning Boundaries	4/2



Biola Community Plan Update



Biola

Kick Off Meeting	12/6
Community Plan Overview	1/17
Vision and Public Facilities	1/31
Circulation	2/22
▶ Internal Land Use	2/28
▶ Planning Boundaries	4/4

Thank you



ANY QUESTIONS?

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