



Natomas Joint Vision

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### **Staff Presentation**

- Broad Visioning Process
- Planning Principles
- Conceptual Land Use "Sketches"
- Airport's Presentation
- Next Steps





# **Overall NJV Work Plan**

#### PHASE II ACTIVITIES Broad Visioning



#### **PHASE III ACTIVITIES**

HCP Conservation Strategy CEQA Documents General Plan Amendment Specific / Master Plan

PHASE V ACTIVITIES Individual Development Projects

#### **PHASE IV ACTIVITIES**

Annex/Amend UPA Complete HCP process

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## Phase III

#### Phase 3: Project Development

- Conservation strategy for HCP
- CEQA documents
- City & County General Plan Amendments
- Specific/Master Plan
- Amend City's Sphere of Influence or County's Urban Services Boundary





# **Broad Visioning Process**





# **Broad Visioning Process**

- High level exercise, not a site-specific analysis of detailed issues
- Multi-jurisdictional cooperation and commitment to high quality planning
- Unique regional assets offer potential benefits to the entire region





## **Complex Challenges**

#### **Background Report**

- Habitat issues
- Agriculture & Open Space issues
- Airport Restrictions
- Assets & Opportunities

http://www.planning.saccounty.net/longrange/ city-county.html





# Assets & Opportunities

- Crossroads of I-5 and I-80
- International Airport \$1 billion investment
- SAFCA \$600 million investment (NLIP)
- Metro Air Park 1,900 acres and 38,000 jobs planned
- Downtown-Natomas-Airport light rail extension planned



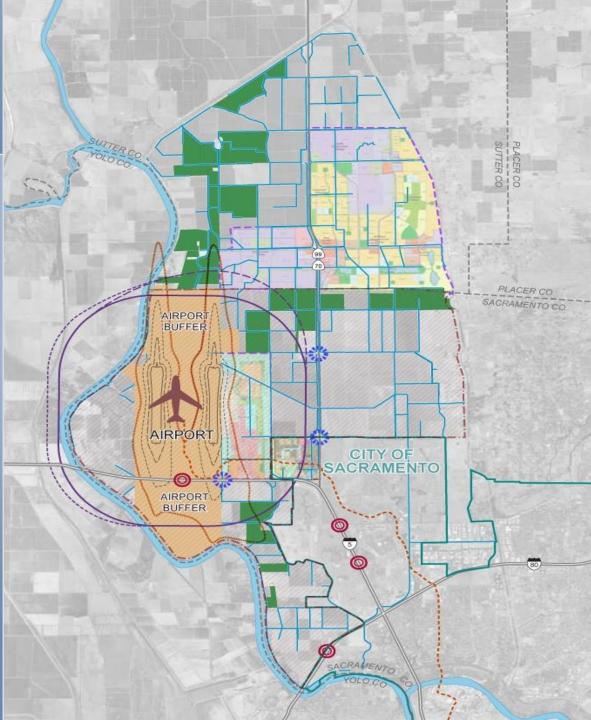




## Planning Considerations

- International Airport
- Habitat Conservation Plan requirements
- City/County General Plan Updates

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# 2003 Natomas Basin HCP

- Natomas Basin Habitat Conservation Plan
  - Incidental Take Permits for City of Sacramento & Sutter County
  - Sacramento County not a signatory
  - Allows 17,500 ac. of development
  - Highly litigated





Broad Visioning Public Workshops

- Identify existing assets, opportunities, challenges
- Survey & other input
- Issues matrix (by precinct)
- Several iterations of conceptual sketches
- Feedback on sketches & principles





#### Analysis of issues by precinct

The Boot

East of 99

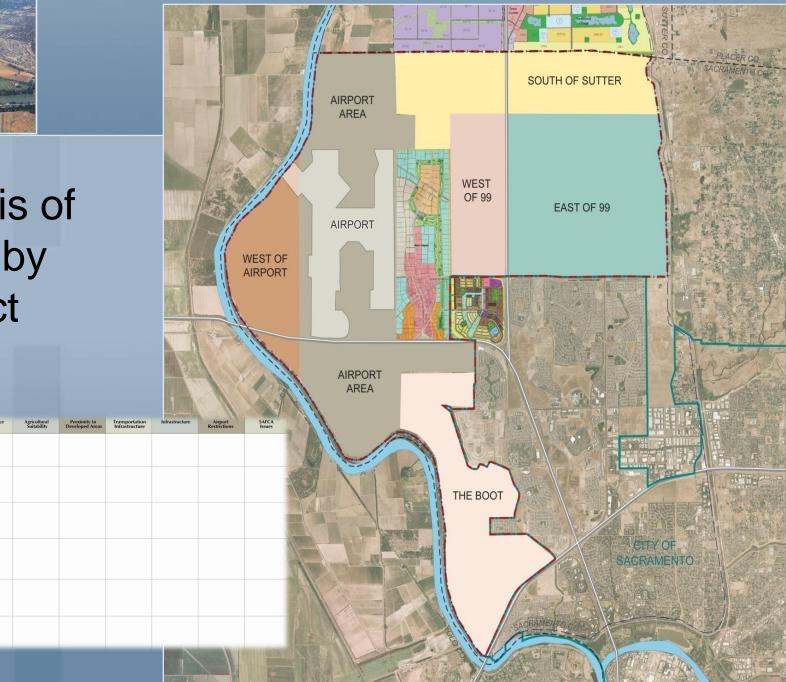
South of

West of 99

Airport Area

West of Airport

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# Broad Visioning Planning Principles





## **Planning Principles**

- Urban Form
- Ecology, Landscape, Recreation
- Transportation
- Energy
- Water & wastewater

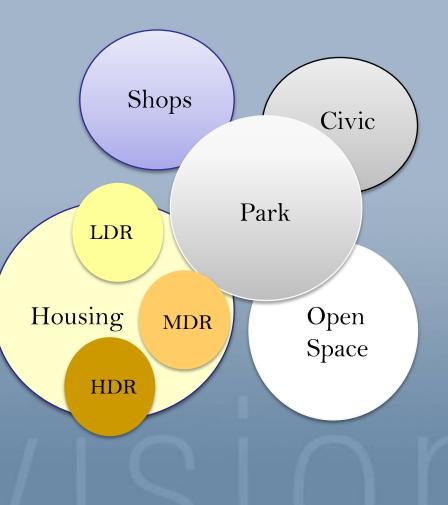
- Economics
- Health, safety & security
- Education
- Greenhouse gas emissions reduction
- Airport Compatibility





### Principle: Urban Form

Compact development pattern with mix of land uses & diversity of housing types to satisfy needs from a wide range of economic levels and age groups

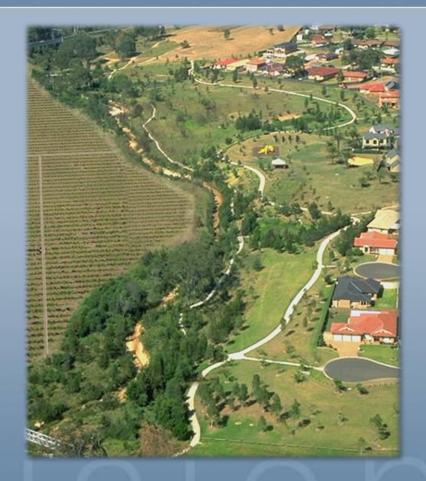




### Principle: Urban Form

Create ample supply of specialized open space in the form of parks, squares, and greenways







### **Principle: Urban Form**

Design with a center focus that combines commercial, civic, cultural, and recreational uses







#### Principle: Ecology & Landform

Connect wildlife corridors, integrate natural buffers within urbanized areas and protect the natural features, to the maximum extent practicable







### **Principle: Transportation**

Place an emphasis on pedestrian, bike and transit friendly design to discourage auto dependence







# Principle: Energy

Utilize design and technology to reduce energy consumption and dependence on fossil fuels









#### Principle: Water Conservation

**Reduce** water consumption, wastewater generation, and site imperviousness through water sensitive urban design techniques









### **Principle: Economics**

Financial success for both the public and private sectors







#### Principle: Health, Safety, and Security

Emphasize a quality public realm that promotes social interaction, a physically active lifestyle, and an enhanced sense of security









#### **Principle: Education**

Foster a wide range of education programs and facilities with emphasis on public awareness of sustainable life choices among residents and visitors







#### Principle: Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Design and build the community to reduce greenhouse gas emissions









#### Principle: Airport Compatibility

Design uses with respect for airport compatibility and pay careful attention to airport safety issues including wildlife hazards



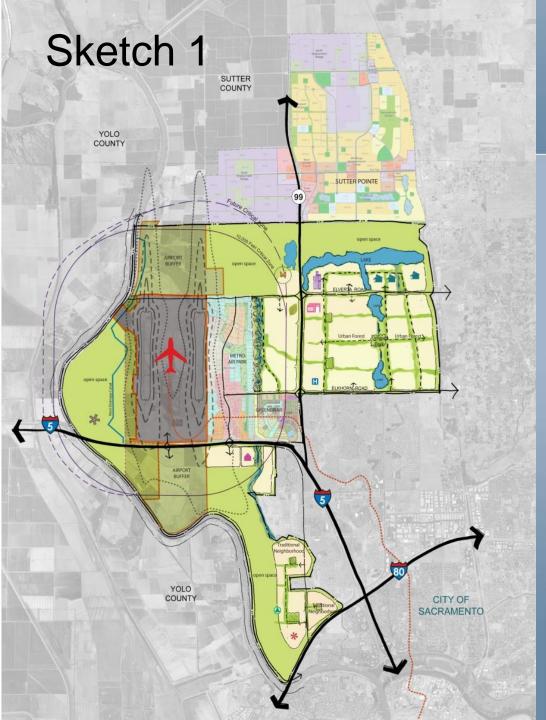






# Broad Visioning Conceptual Land Use Sketches





#### Features

- Linear grid pattern
- Buffer (Boot)
  - ~ ½ -mile
- Community separator
- Continuous lake northern edge
- Linear snake corridor

#### Sketch 1





#### Sketch 2



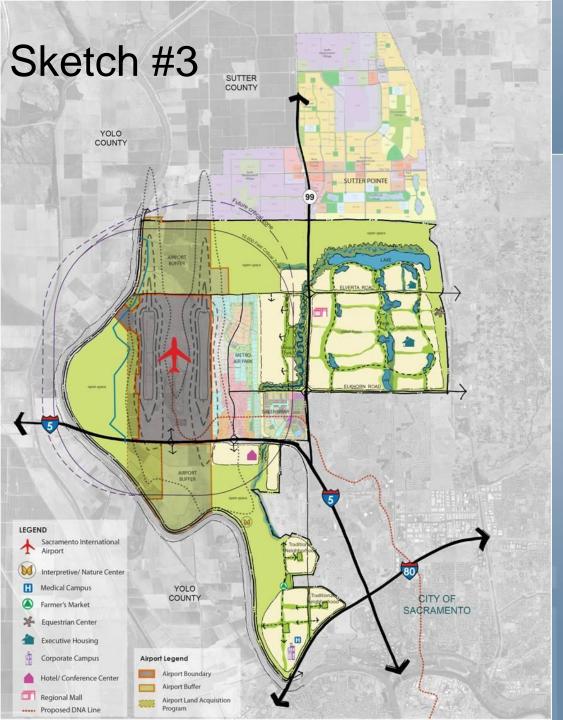
#### Features

- Modified grid pattern
- Buffer (Boot)  $\sim \frac{1}{4}$  -mile
- Community separator
- Increased open space along Lone Tree Canal
- Multiple small lakes east of 99

#### Sketch #2







#### Features

- Eliminates lake west of 99
- Moves snake corridor eastward
- Open space east & south of
  Fisherman's Lake
- Reconfigures Boot (buffer ½ mi. +)



- Overall Comments
  - Support initiation of Phase 3
  - Must consider impact on
    - Airport operations
    - Existing community residents
    - Natomas Basin Habitat Conservation Plan





- City Planning Commission
  - Should be clear connection between Joint
    Vision and SACOG Blueprint
  - Check if initial assumptions of Joint Vision are still valid
  - Unsupportive of regional mall; retail exists in Natomas





- County Planning Commission
  - Regional mall is unlikely, but open air center may better fit vision
  - Must have all parties at table during planning
  - Want a comprehensive plan, not piecemeal development
  - Need demographics to support high quality development





- Sacramento City Council
  - Conceptual sketches do not represent Joint
    Vision values of open space and agriculture
  - Request additional sketch illustrating one-mile buffer along Sacramento River, as required by Natomas Basin Habitat Conservation Plan
  - Need to be cognizant of impacts to existing community residents



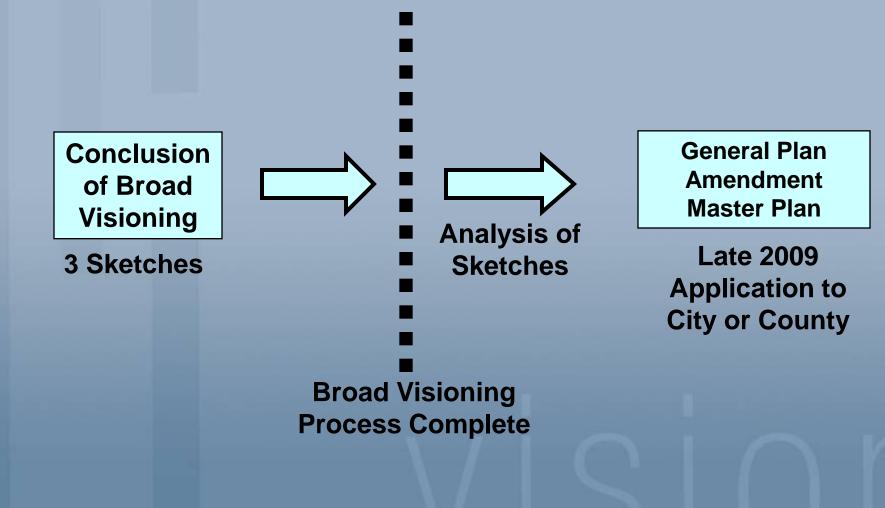


# Next Steps





#### Phase 2 to Phase 3



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## Phase 3 Objectives

- Continue cooperative work with stakeholders
- Prepare environmental and engineering analysis
- Initiate preparation of conservation strategy for Habitat Conservation Plan
- Submission of Gen. Plan Amendment / Specific Plan at appropriate time





#### For more information...

#### City website: http://cityofsacramento.org/planning/projects/ natomas-joint-vision/index.cfm

#### **County website:**

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# Questions?

