Strategic Scan 2003

Community Resources & Public Facilities

Presented to the Board of Supervisors
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Departments Providing Community Resources & Public Facilities

- Agriculture & Cooperative Extension
- Housing and Community Development
- Parks
- Planning & Development
- Public Works
In surveys across the nation, these are the consistent factors considered to affect the quality of life:

- Rate of crime and vandalism
- Protection of agricultural lands and open space
- A strong local economy
- Availability of good schools
- Traffic, noise and other environmental issues
- Availability of park facilities and recreation programs
- Condition of public infrastructure
- Affordable housing and controlled growth
Critical Issues

- Civic Engagement
- Staff Recruitment & Retention
- Pressure to develop Ag land
- "Overuse" of housing stock
- Need for services & facilities such as parks, roads, etc.
- Transportation Demand Issues

Need for services & facilities such as parks, roads, etc.
## Median Home Prices
**Source:** UCSB Economic Forecast Project

### Average median home prices for 2002

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<th>Area</th>
<th>Median Price</th>
<th>Growth Rate</th>
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<td>$391,500</td>
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Completions of New Privately Owned Residential Housing per 1000 US Residents

Source: UCSB Economic Forecast Project
Residential Units Permitted per 1,000 people
Source: UCSB Economic Forecast Project
Santa Barbara County Housing Permits
Source: UCSB Economic Forecast Project
Homeownership Survey: Public Works Employees

Homeownership by Employee Years of Service

- 107 Total employees (Years 0-5)
- 78 Total employees (Years 6-15)
- 51 Total employees (Years 16+)

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Pressure to Develop Ag Land
What we know……

Santa Barbara County Land Distribution (1999)
Total Acres: 1,634,000

- Small Agriculture and Rural Lands: 10%
- Large Agriculture: 38%
- Unincorporated Urban Areas: 2%
- Cities: 2%
- Los Padres Nat'l Forest: 39%
- Vandenberg AFB: 6%
- Other Government Lands: 3%

Source: County of Santa Barbara, P&D. 1999
Pressure to Develop Ag Land

What we know......
Pressure to Develop Ag Land
What we know......

Acres Needed to Accommodate Anticipated 2030 Population

- City of Carpinteria
- Goleta (City and Unincorp)
- City of Santa Barbara
- City of Buellton
- City of Solvang
- City of Lompoc
- Orcutt
- City of Santa Maria

0 2000 4000 6000 8000 10000

Existing Residential Acreage
Add'l Residential Acreage Needed by 2030 at Current Growth Rates & Densities
Pressure to Develop Ag Land
What we know……..

Santa Barbara Countywide Agricultural Land Status

- Agriculturally Zoned Acres Not in Agricultural Preserve: 538,500 (69.98%)
- Agricultural Preserve Acres: 222,300 (28.88%)
- Non-Renewal Acres: 8,700 (1.14%)
Pressure to Develop Ag Land

What we know…….

Source: DOF, 2000
Note: Buellton & Solvang not incorporated in 1970

Population Distribution by Place
“Overuse” of Housing Stock
What we know……

Santa Barbara County Population Estimates
2000-2030

Source: P&D extrapolation of CA Dept. of Finance 1990-1999 data.

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“Overuse” of Housing Stock
What we know…….

Santa Barbara County Housing Units Permitted

Source: UCSB Economic Forecast Project
“Overuse” of Housing Stock
What we know……

New Housing Units Permitted in Santa Barbara County
1985-1999

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“Overuse” of Housing Stock

What we know......

SB County Housing Costs

Median home price

Affordability

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Need for services & facilities
(such as parks, roads, etc.)

What we know......

In a survey of City Mayors, State Legislators, County Supervisors and Executives, the following was found...

- Parks strengthen community image and sense of place
- Park facilities protect valuable environmental resources
- Parks protect cultural and historical places
- Parks provide programs and places for special populations including elderly, disabled and low income places to celebrate cultural unity

Source: CA Leaders Opinion of Parks & Recreation, 2002
CA Dept of Parks & Recreation Planning Division
Need for services & facilities
(such as parks, roads, etc.)
What we know……..

- On average 95% of those surveyed indicated that parks increase the quality of life in community.

- “Only 40% believed that there were enough parks and recreation facilities in their community”…

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Need for services & facilities
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What we know......

Public Lands of Santa Barbara (Acres)

- Forest Service Lands: 629250
- City Parks: 21188
- County Parks: 6455
- Cachuma Rec Area: 2815
- State Rec Lands: 9248

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Need for services & facilities
(such as parks, roads, etc.)
What we know......

Acres of Parkland and Miles of Trails

- South County Trails
- South County Open Spaces
- South County Parks
- North County Trails
- North County Open Spaces
- North County Parks

Existing
Projected

* Source 1989 Comprehensive Plan and Adopted Community Plans

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Need for services & facilities
(such as parks, roads, etc.)
What we know......

Coastline Accessible to the Public
Total Length of Santa Barbara County Coastline = 110 Miles

- North County (Open Beach Access - 6.5 miles)
- North County (Temporarily Closed Beach Access - 4.5 miles)
- Federal; VAFB (Access Restricted) 35 Miles
- South County Beaches Accessible to Public - 36 miles
- Private Property (Access Restricted) 28 Miles
- County, City, State Beach Areas and Other Areas Accessible to the Public 47 Miles

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Need for services & facilities
(such as parks, roads, etc.)

What we know......

- South County Parks and Developed Open Spaces – 721 total acres
- North County Parks and Developed Open Spaces – 7,458 total acres
Transportation Demand Issues

What we know......

**1997**
How would you rate traffic congestion delays at County road intersections? (10 being no delays.)

**2003**
How would you rate traffic congestion delays at County road intersections? (10 being no delays.)

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Transportation Demand Issues
What we know......

Average Pavement Condition Index (PCI) by Rank

PCI
Arterial
Major Collector
Minor Collector
Major Rural
Minor Rural (Residential)
Alleys/Primitive

79
80
72
55
58
82

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Transportation Demand Issues

What we know......
Staff Recruitment & Retention

What we know......

2001 Employee Turnover

Years of Service

Years of Service

0-5 YRS

6-15 YRS

10+ YRS

# of Public Works Employees

Own Homes

Do not Own Homes

107 Total

78 Total

51 Total

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Staff Recruitment & Retention
What we know......

Homeownership by Geography

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Staff Recruitment & Retention
What we know......

Public Works Employees & Jobs

Employees

- North County Residents 46%
- South Coast Residents 45%
- Outside County 9%

Jobs

- North County Jobs 29%
- South Coast Jobs 71%

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Staff Recruitment & Retention

What we know......

Public Works Employees Commuting

# of Public Works Employees

93 Total

South Coast

97 Total

North County

20 Total

Outside County

Location Driving From

Alternative Trans

Drive Alone

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What does all this mean….?

Quality of Life Issues:

- Lack of civic engagement
- Less time with family & friends
- Issues relating to quality education
- Traffic, noise and other environmental issues
- Overcrowded parks and recreation areas
- Jobs and housing not balanced

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