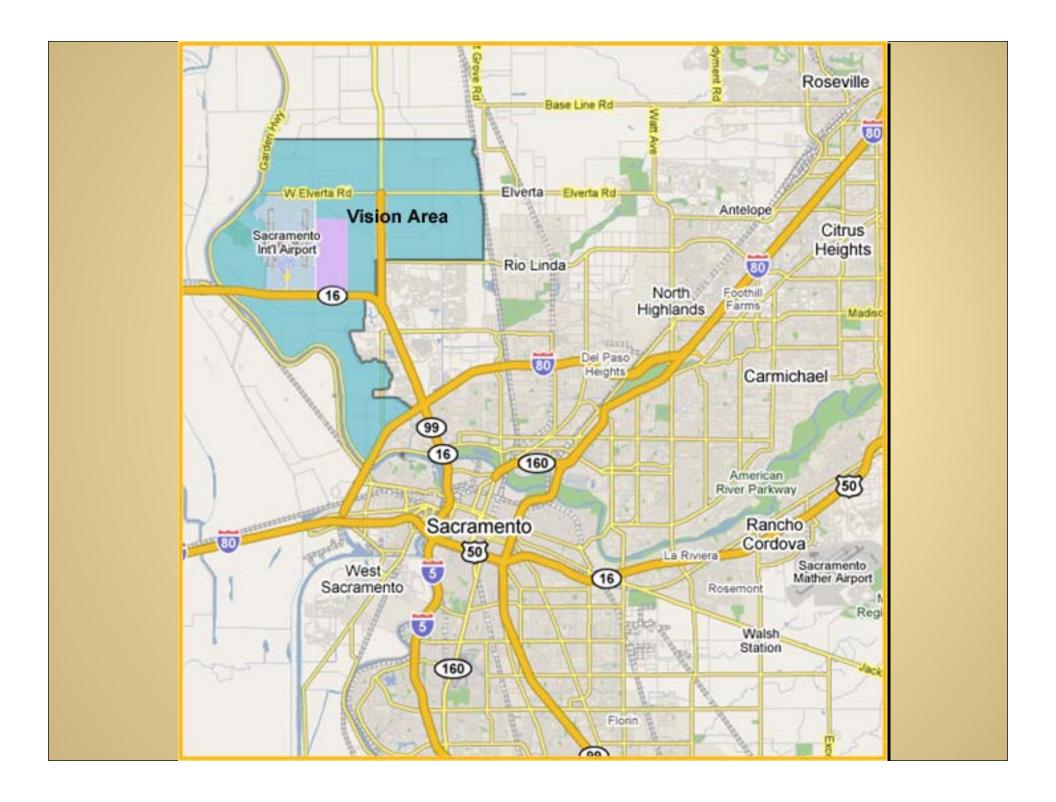


Natomas Joint Vision Area

Setting, Opportunity, Challenges, & Vision

Project Purpose

- The Natomas Joint Vision Area has unique regional assets and offers potential benefits to the entire region
- The Natomas Joint Vision area has complex challenges which can be met by multijurisdictional cooperation and commitment to high quality planning.
- The Broad Visioning Process is a "high level exercise from 30,000 feet", not a site-specific analysis of detailed issues.





Natomas Today

The Setting

Vision Area Location



The Land Today

- International Airport
- Natomas Basin Conservancy habitat lands
- Interstate 5 and 80
- The Sacramento River
- Agricultural Operations
- Multi-jurisdictional overlay









Importance of the Vision Area to the Region

Strategic location, unique assets, and the extraordinary opportunity it presents

 One of only 5 locations in the West with N/S interstates and international airport

Adjacent recent and proposed growth

4 to 8 miles from the Capitol

Identified as a "Blueprint" growth area

Flood protection projects underway

Natomas Basin Conservancy lands



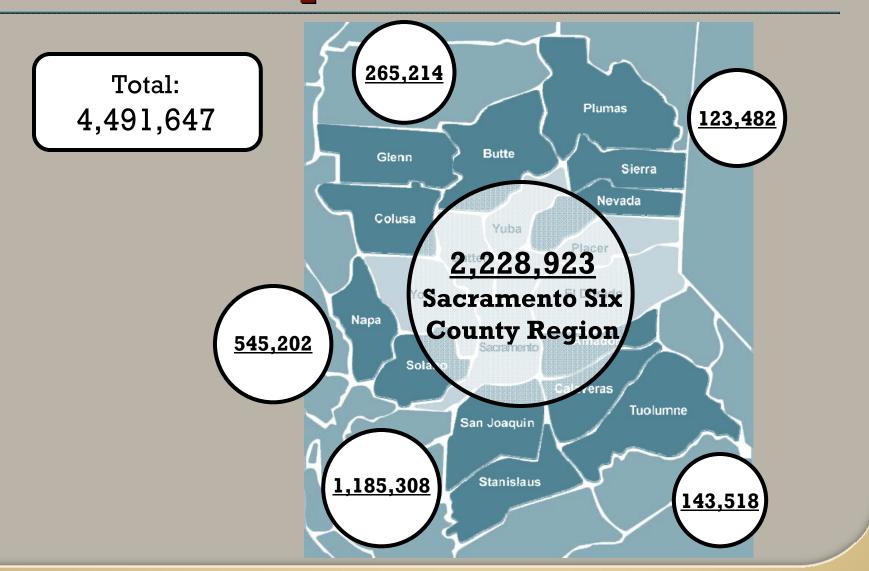
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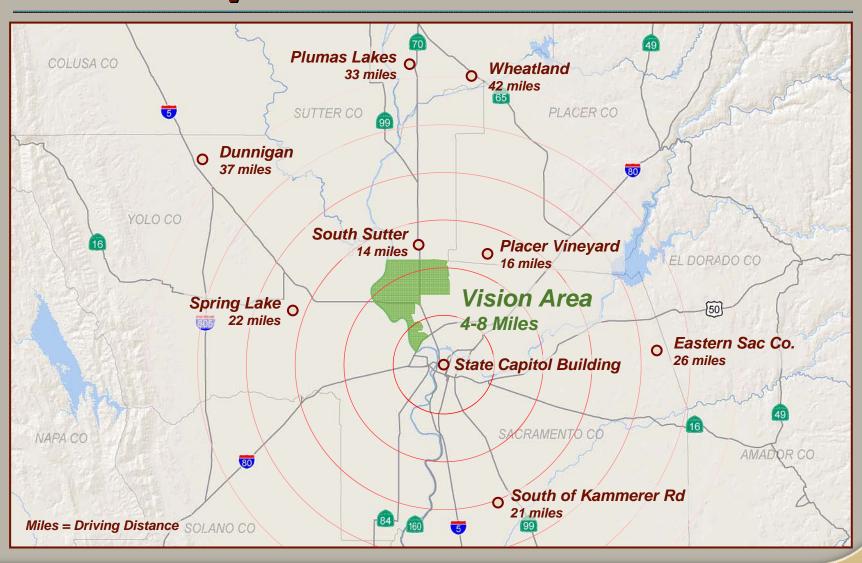




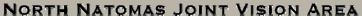
2006 Population Statistics

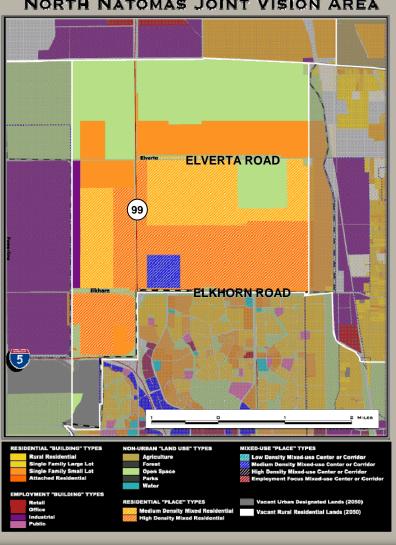


Proximity to Downtown Sacramento



Blueprint Growth Area



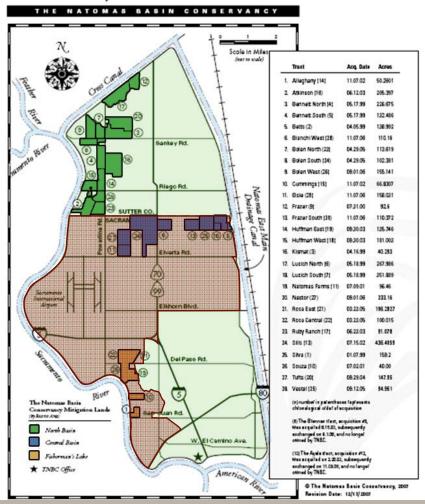


Flood Protection Projects



Natomas Basin Conservancy









The Natomas Opportunity

The Assets and Investments

The Sacramento River



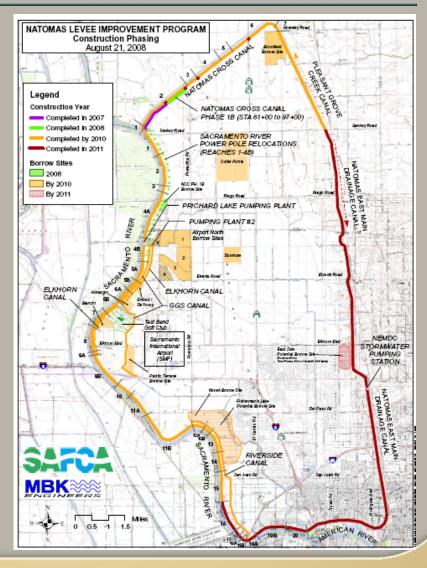
Water...a Unifying Element



SAFCA Flood Project

\$600 million investment





Environmental Awarenessand Commitment



There must be a balance between nature and human endeavor

A Balance with Nature

The urban ecological balance can be maintained when fragile areas are reserved; conservation of eco-systems is pursued; and low intensity habitation precincts are thoughtfully identified.



Sacramento International



Runway Extensions

New Terminal

Intercontinental Flights

\$1.6 Billion in New Investment

• \$3.5 Billion Annual Economic Impact

Expansion & Development Potential



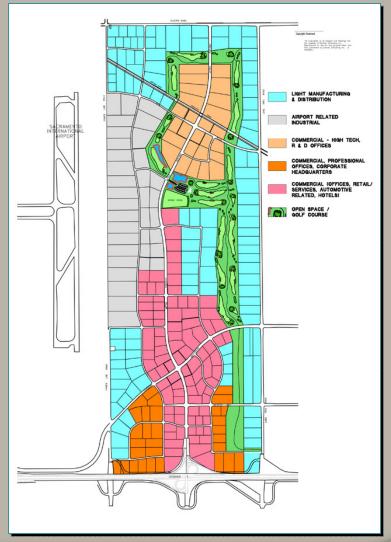
Metro Air Park

Mixed-use business / industrial park

• Gross Acres: 1,900

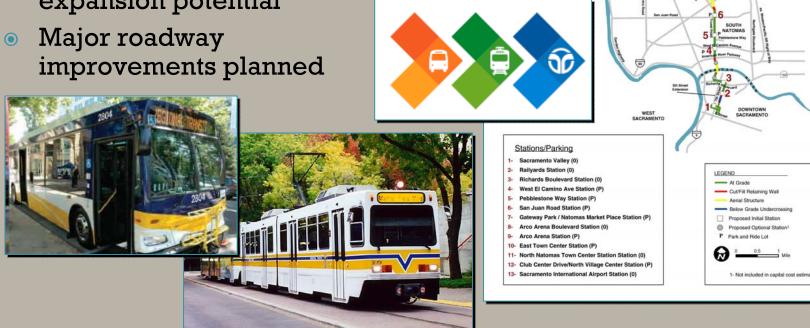
Cost to Develop:\$280 Million





Transportation Assets

- Vision Area within minutes of the downtown job center
- Planned light rail extension to airport
- Existing bus service with expansion potential



Leadership

Visionary Leadership

Coordinated Planning

Commitment to the Future







Sacramento Area Council of Governments



Natomas Challenges

Intelligent & Sustainable Growth



Design Livable Communities:

- Move away from typical suburban patterns
- Challenge new quality levels



Flood Protection

SAFCA's success will achieve 200+ year protection

 Community benefits in addition to flood protection

 Open space and habitat enhancements

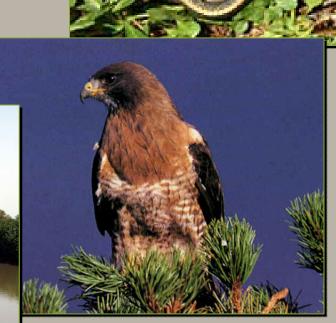


Endangered Species Enhancement

 Build on successes of the Natomas Basin Conservancy

 Enhance the survival of the species and build on the existing HCP

 Take advantage of the regional perspective in finding permanent solutions



Building a Rational and Significant Open Space System

 The community should sponsor social interaction through public domains devised for community and civic life



Agricultural Viability

- Design functional buffers
- Identify operational solutions compatible with urbanization
- Emphasize and expand Conservancy's role
- Recognize market constraints





Discover the Vision

Lessons from Successful Communities

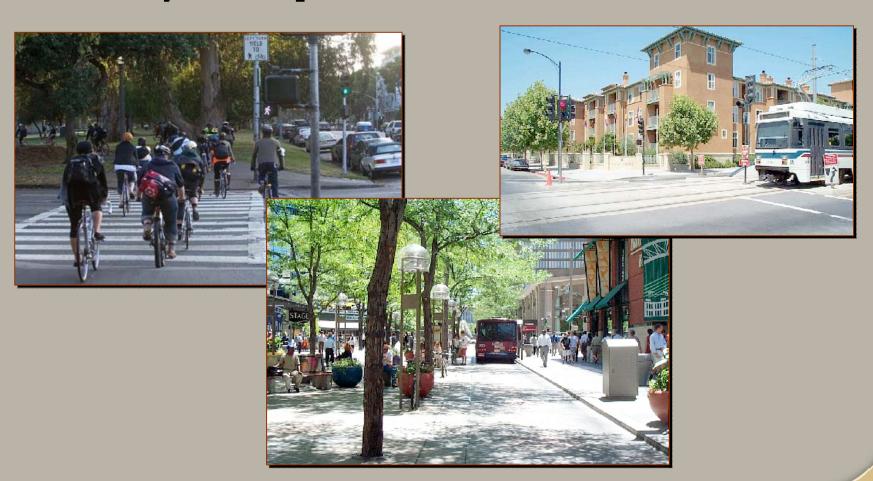
 The natural environment and urban environment are harmoniously integrated



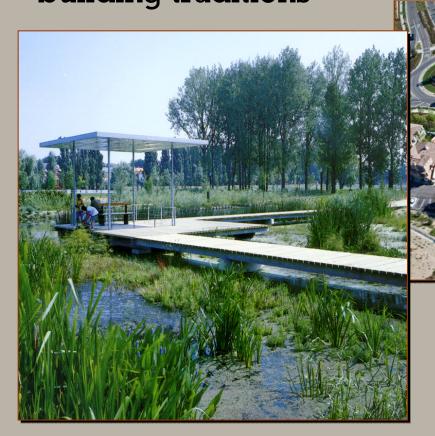
Open spaces can and should be multi-functional



A variety of transportation modes are essential



 Design to celebrate local history, ecology and building traditions



 Communities are shaped by public spaces, civic institutions, and places of collective interest

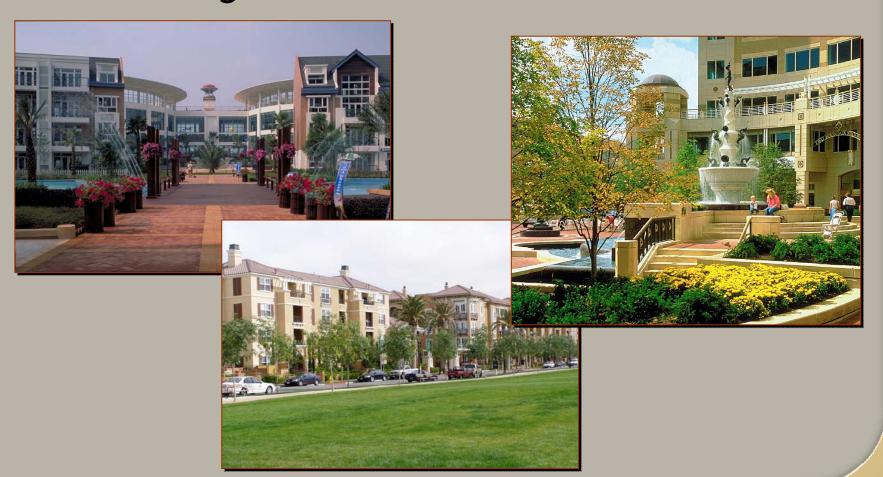




 Commerce follows public investment in transportation and infrastructure improvements



Good design does matter



 Create an integrated community with diverse uses such as parks, open space, housing, shops, work places, schools, and civic facilities



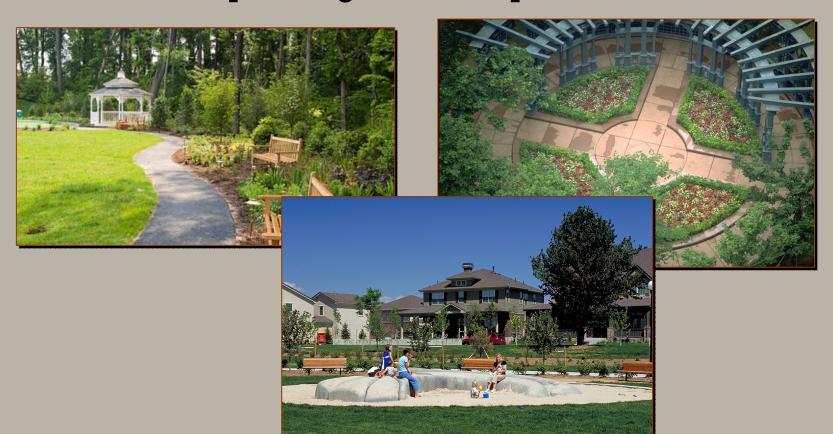
 Design a variety of housing types to enable citizens from a wide range of economic levels and age groups to live within the community



 Plan central activity nodes that combine commercial, civic, cultural and recreational uses



 Provide a variety of natural and urban open spaces in the form of squares, greens and parks

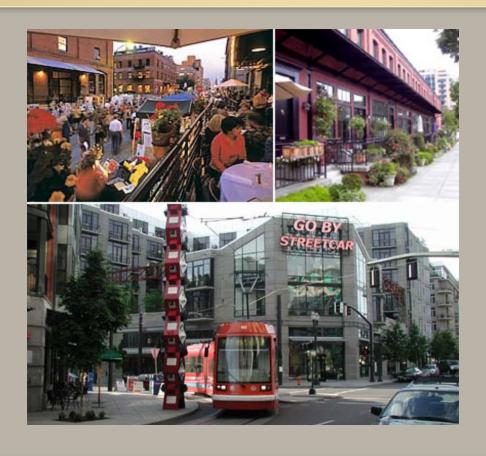


 Buffer clusters of development with a well defined edge, such as agricultural greenbelts or wildlife corridors



 Preserve the natural terrain, drainage, and vegetation of the community to the maximum extent possible within parks, open space and greenbelts





Natomas Tomorrow

The Fabric of Successful Change



Next Steps

The Broad Visioning Process will lead to the creation of:

- A set of fundamental principles to address the issues and guide subsequent planning efforts
- Conceptual land use diagrams for urban development and open space
- A project description with sufficient detail to proceed with subsequent planning phase



Thank you

Join us at the next visioning workshop on **December 17th** (from 6:00-8:00 at the same location)