

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: TLMA - Planning Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:
August 21, 2008

SUBJECT: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1054 – (ENTITLEMENT / POLICY AMENDMENT) – Applicant: BC Stratford Corporation – Engineer / Representative: Kevin Canning - Second Supervisorial District – Prado-Mira Loma Zoning District – Eastvale Area Plan: Community Development: Medium Density Residential (CD-MDR) (2-5 Dwelling Units per Acre) – Location: Southerly of Limonite Avenue, easterly of Interstate 15 westerly of Wineville Avenue, and northerly of 68th Street – 27 Gross Acres - Zoning: One-Family Dwellings (R-1) to the north, Light Agriculture (A-1) to the east, Industrial Park (I-P) to the west, and Heavy Agriculture – 10 Acre Minimum (A-2-10) to the south - **REQUEST:** Proposes to amend the project site's existing General Plan Land Use Designation from Community Development: Medium Density Residential (CD:MDR) (2-5 Dwelling Units per Acre) to Community Development: High Density Residential (CD:HDR) (8-14 Dwelling Units per Acre).

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Staff recommends that the appropriate findings per the General Plan Administration Element can be made and that the Planning Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors to adopt an order initiating proceedings for General Plan Amendment No. 1054. The initiation of proceedings by the Board of Supervisors for the amendment of the General Plan, or any element thereof, shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.

BACKGROUND:

The initiation of proceedings for any General Plan Amendment (GPA) requires the adoption of an order by the Board of Supervisors. The Planning Director is required to prepare a report and recommendation on all GPA applications and submit them to the Board of Supervisors. Prior to the submittal to the Board, comments on the applications will be requested from the Planning Commission, and the Planning Commission comments will be included in the report to the Board. The Board will either approve or disapprove the initiation of the proceedings for the GPA

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Assistant Planning Director

Ron Goldman
Planning Director

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REVIEWED BY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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Departmental Concurrence

Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref. | District: Second | Agenda Number:

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requested in the applications.

The consideration of the initiation of proceedings pursuant to this application by the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors will not involve noticed public hearing. The Planning Department, however, did notify the applicant by mail of the time, date and place when the Planning Commission will consider this GPA initiation request.

If the Board of Supervisors adopts an order initiating proceedings pursuant to this application, the proposed amendment will thereafter be processed, heard and decided in accordance with all the procedures applicable to GPA applications, including noticed public hearings before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors. The adoption of an order initiating proceedings does not imply that any amendment will be approved. If the Board of Supervisors declines to adopt an order initiating proceedings, no further proceedings of this application will occur.

The Board of Supervisors established the procedures for initiation of GPA applications with the adoption of Ordinance No. 348.4573 (effective May 8, 2008), which amended Article II of that ordinance. This particular GPA application is an Entitlement/Policy GPA, under Section 2.4.

Additionally, refer to the attached Worksheet for General Plan Amendment Initiation Consideration Analysis.

Agenda Item No.:
Area Plan: Eastvale
Zoning District: Prado-Mira Loma
Supervisorial District: Second
Project Planner: Andrew Gonzalez
Planning Commission: July 23, 2008

General Plan Amendment No. 1054
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PLANNING COMMISSION DIRECTION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

The following comment(s) have been provided by the Planning Commission for the Board of Supervisors:

Commissioner John Roth: No comments

Commissioner John Snell: No problem with the High Density Residential (HDR) Land Use Designation as it is next to a school site.

Commissioner John Petty: Absent

Commissioner Jim Porras: No comments

Commissioner Jan Zappardo: No comments

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Agenda Item No.: 6.7
Area Plan: Eastvale
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:

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The proposed Amendment is located in the Mira Loma community of the Eastvale Area Plan; more specifically, southerly of Limonite Avenue, easterly of Interstate 15, westerly of Wineville Avenue, and northerly of 68th Street.

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REQUIRED FINDINGS:

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In order to support the initiation of a proposed General Plan Amendment it must be established that the proposal could possibly satisfy certain required findings. The Administration Element of the General Plan explains that there are four categories of amendments, Technical, Entitlement/Policy, Foundation, and Agriculture. Each category has distinct required findings.

General Plan Amendment No. 1054 falls into the Entitlement/Policy category, because it is not the Foundation-Component of the General Plan.

The Administration Element of the General Plan explains that two required findings must be made, and at least one of five additional findings must be made to justify an entitlement/policy amendment. The two required findings are:

a. The proposed change does not involve a change in or conflict with:

(1) The Riverside County Vision;

(2) Any General Plan Principle; or

(3) Any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.

b. The proposed amendment would either contribute to the achievement of the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum, would not be detrimental to them.

The additional findings, only one of which need be made include:

c. Special circumstances or conditions have emerged that were unanticipated in preparing the General Plan.

d. A change in policy is required to conform to changes in state or federal law or applicable findings of a court of law.

e. An amendment is required to comply with an update of the Housing Element or change in State Housing Element law.

f. An amendment is required to expand basic employment job opportunities (jobs that contribute directly to the County's economic base) and that would improve the ratio of jobs-to-workers in the County.

g. An amendment is required to address changes in public ownership of land or land not under Board of Supervisors' land use authority.

Consideration Analysis:

First Required Finding: The first required finding explains that the proposed Amendment must not involve a change in or conflict with the Riverside County Vision; any General Plan Principle; or any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.

A. The proposed Amendment does not conflict with:

(1) The Riverside County Vision: It is reasonable to assume that a High Density Residential Land Use Designation for the parcel in question will achieve the future vision of General Plan. It is possible to make this finding.

(2) Any General Plan Principle: Given staffs review it is possible that the proposed designation could satisfy each of the General Plan Principals and Policies.

(3) Any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan: The project designation would not change the Foundation Component of the General Plan; thus, the proposed Amendment is consistent with the Community Development Foundation.

Second Required Finding: The second required finding explains that the proposed Amendment must either contribute to the achievement of the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum, not be detrimental to them. The Land Use Element of the General Plan argues that a wide range of housing shall be provided throughout the county from large lot rural settings to high density urban developments. The proposed Amendment is adjacent to existing and proposed single family residences to the north and south. The proposed Amendment is highly consistent with the existing General Plan Land Use Designation and with the pattern of approved and proposed development adjacent to the site. The findings can be made that the proposed Amendment contributes to the purposes of the General Plan.

Third Required Finding: In addition to the two required findings, the General Plan indicates that an additional finding, from a list of five, must also be made. The appropriate additional finding for the proposed Amendment is "Special circumstances or conditions have emerged that were unanticipated in preparing the General Plan." As previously stated the proposed Amendment can be consistent with the existing General Plan as the project site is located adjacent to existing and proposed single family residences. Conditions and circumstances within the area have changed since the site's General Plan Land Use Designation was adopted. An elementary school for the Corona-Norco Unified School District is being constructed to the east and a large retail shopping center has been constructed to the north within a ½ mile which has caused Pats Ranch Road to be increased in size and improved to a secondary arterial highway. Within the Eastvale Area Plan, less than five percent of all existing residential units are on parcels less than 7,200 sq. ft. The proposed Amendment will provide high density housing within the region to expand housing opportunities and increase the amount of higher density housing parcels/units within the Eastvale Area Plan. This finding can be made for the proposed Amendment.

PLANNING COMMISSION DIRECTION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

(To be filled out in the Addendum Staff Report after the Planning Commission provides input and recommendations)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS:

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| 1. General Plan Land Use (Ex. #6): | Community Development: Medium Density Residential (CD:MDR) (2-5 Dwelling Units per Acre) |
| 2. Existing Zoning (Ex. #2): | One-Family Dwellings (R-1) |
| 3. Surrounding Zoning (Ex. #2): | One-Family Dwellings (R-1) to the north, Light Agriculture (A-1) to the east, Industrial Park (I-P) to the west, and Heavy Agriculture – 10 Acre Minimum |

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| | (A-2-10) to the south |
| 4. Existing Land Use (Ex. #1): | Vacant Land |
| 5. Surrounding Land Use (Ex. #1): | Vacant Land to the west and south and Single Family Residences to the north and east |
| 6. Project Data: | Total Acreage: 27 Gross |

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the appropriate findings per the General Plan Administration Element can be made and that the Planning Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors to adopt an order initiating proceedings for General Plan Amendment No. 1054. The initiation of proceedings by the Board of Supervisors for the amendment of the General Plan, or any element thereof, shall not imply any such amendment will be approved.

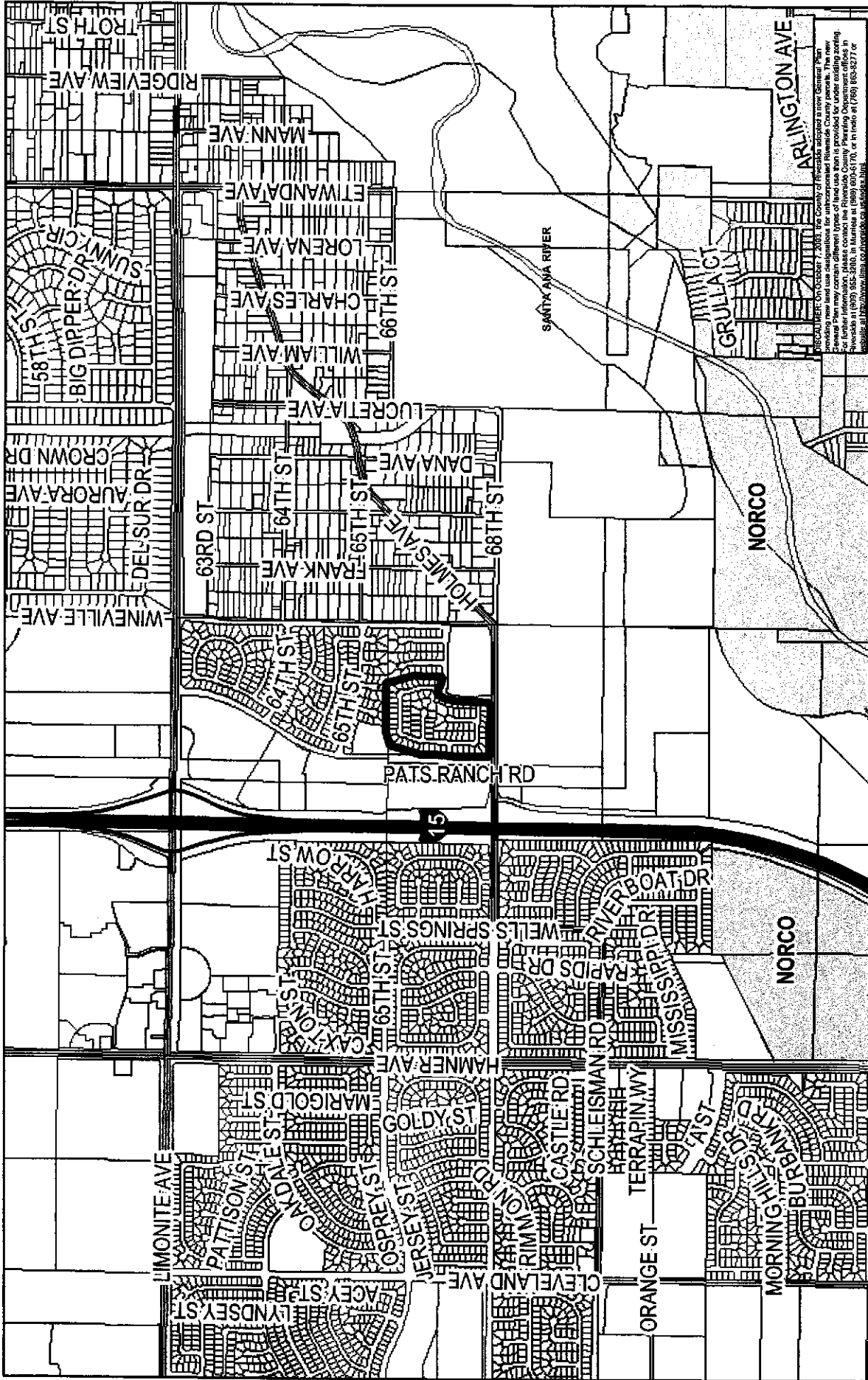
INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

1. As of this writing, no letters, in support or opposition have been received.
2. The project site is not located within:
 - a. A City of sphere of influence;
 - b. The Stephens Kangaroo Rat Fee Area or Core Reserve Area;
 - c. Fringe Toed Lizard sand source area;
 - d. A high fire area;
 - e. A Flood Zone;
 - f. A Policy Area;
 - g. WRCMSHCP Criteria Cell;
 - h. The boundaries of a Redevelopment Area;
 - i. An Airport Influence Area;
 - j. An Area drainage plan area; or,
 - k. A dam inundation area.
3. The project site is located within:
 - a. The boundaries of the Eastvale Area Plan;
 - b. The Jurupa Area Recreation and Parks District;
 - c. An area of High Paleontological potential (High A);
 - d. An area susceptible to subsidence;
 - e. The boundaries of the Corona-Norco Unified School District; and,
 - f. An area of Moderate liquefaction potential.
4. The subject site is currently designated as Assessor Parcel Number's: 152-610-001, -002, -003, -004, -005, -006, -007, -008, -009, -010, -011, -012, -013, -014, 152-612-001, -002, -003, -004, -005, -006, -007, -008, -009, -010, -011, -012, -013, -014, -015, -016, -017, -018, 152-612-001, -002, -003, -004, -005, -006, -007, -008, -009, -010, -011, -012, -013, -014, -015, -016, -017, -018, -019, -020, -021, -022, -023, -024, -025, -026, -027, -028, -029, -030, -031, -032, -033, -034, -035, -036, -037, -038, -039, -040, -041, -042, -043, -044, -045, -046, -047, -048, -049, -050, -051, 152-620-001, -002, -003, -004, -005, -006, -007, -008, & -009.

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VICINITY MAP

Planner: Andrew Gonzalez
Date: 7/23/08
VICINITY MAP

Supervisor Tavaglione
District 2
Date Drawn: 7/03/08



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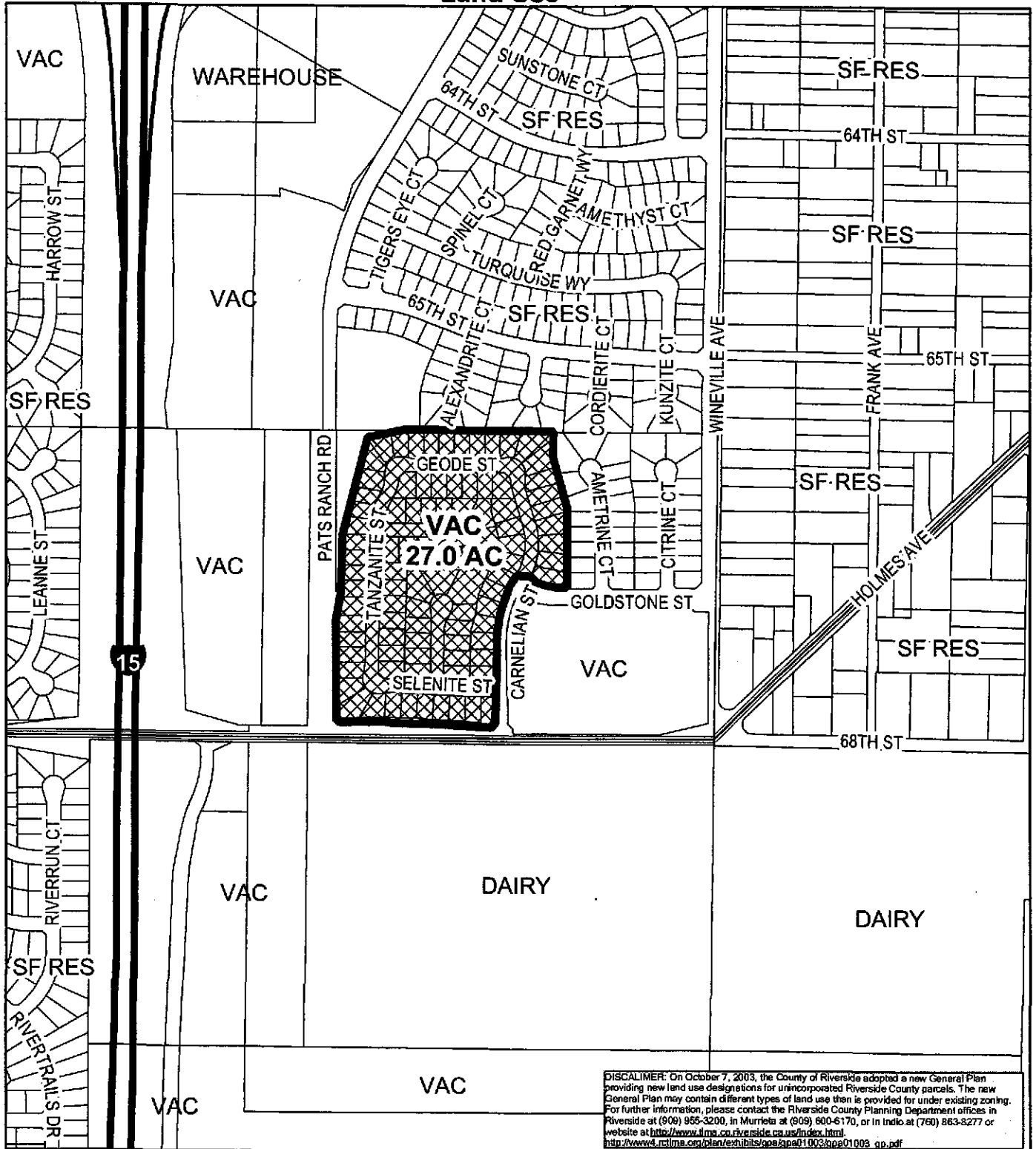
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Zone
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Township/Range: T2SR6W

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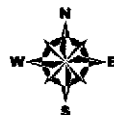




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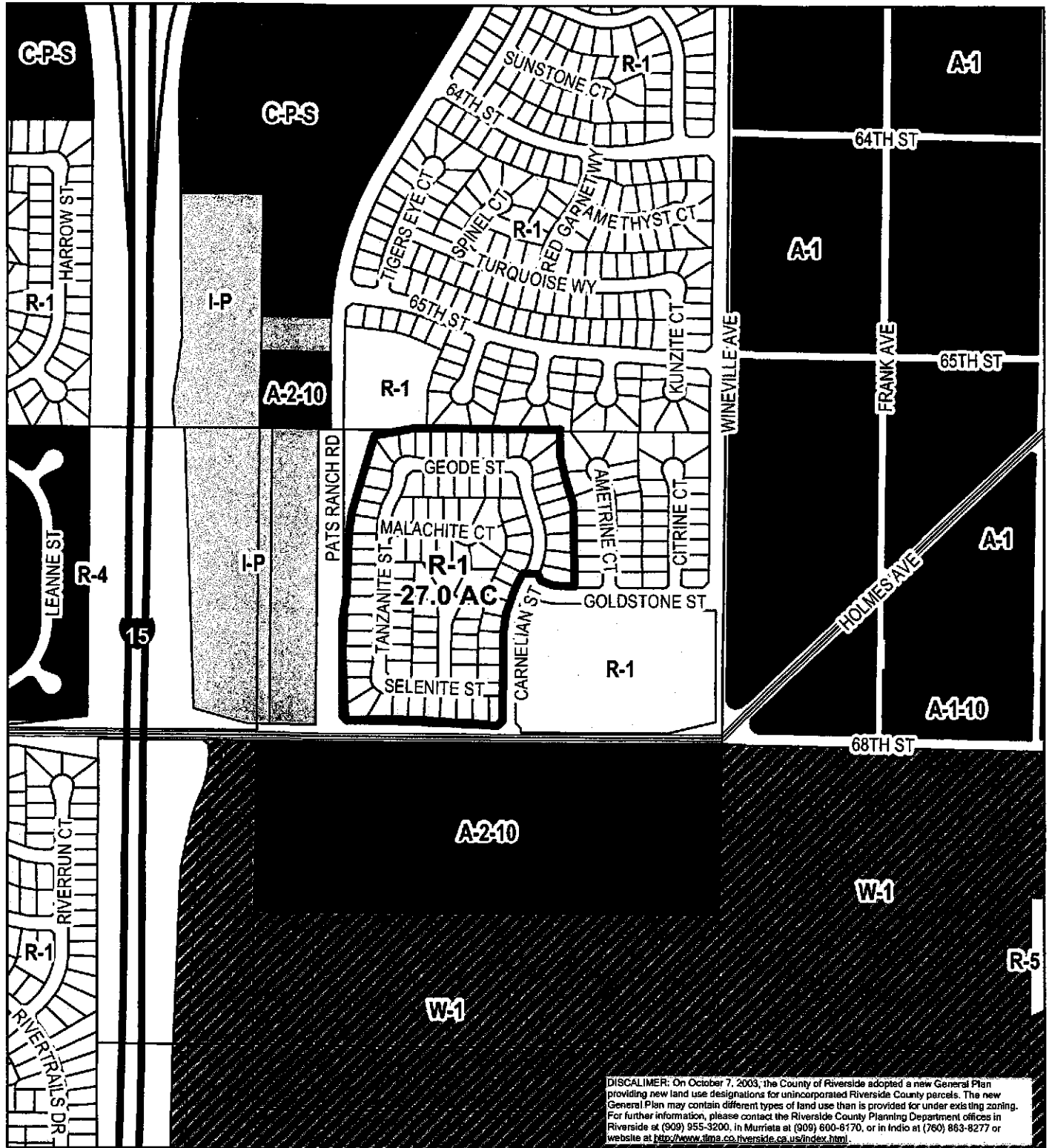
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EXISTING ZONING



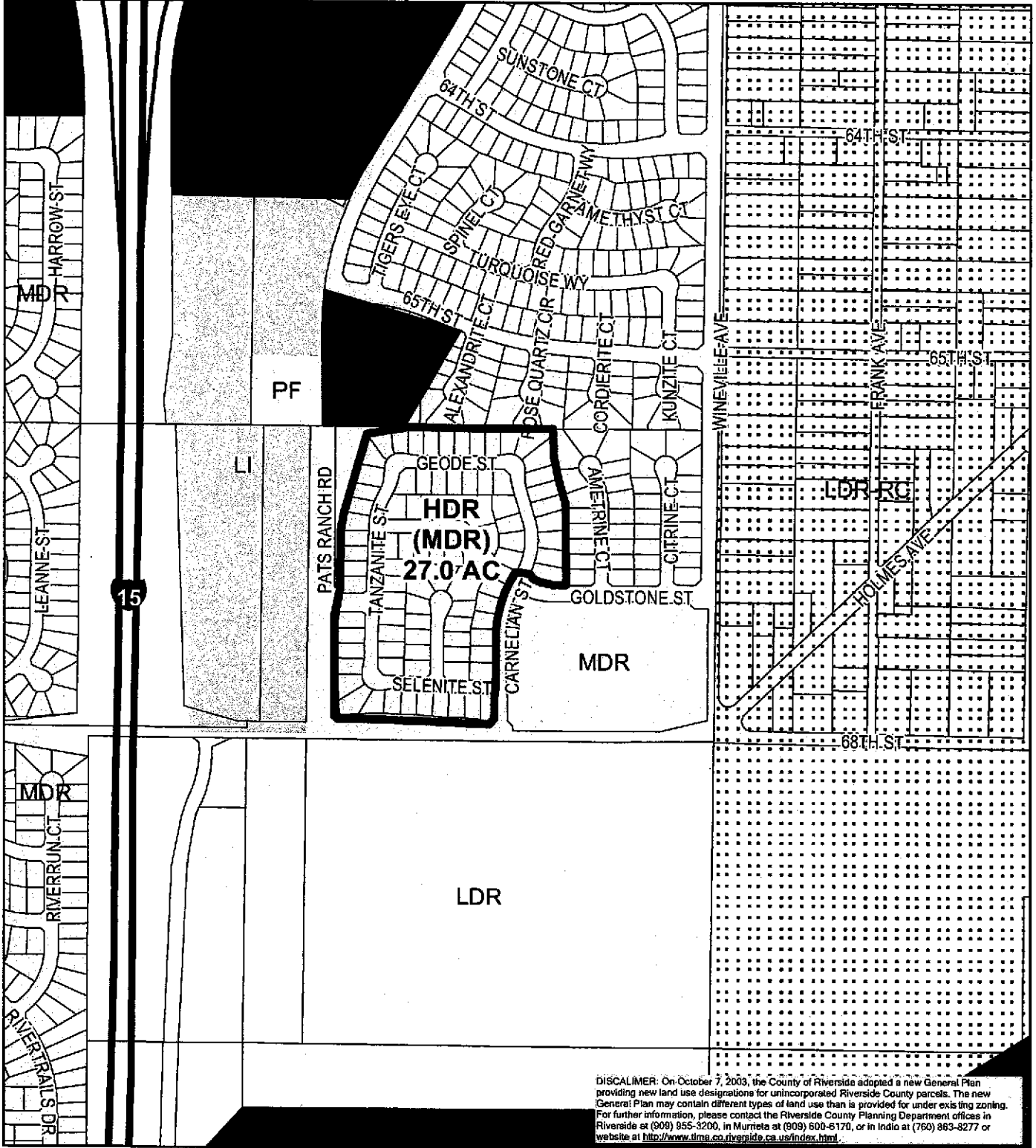
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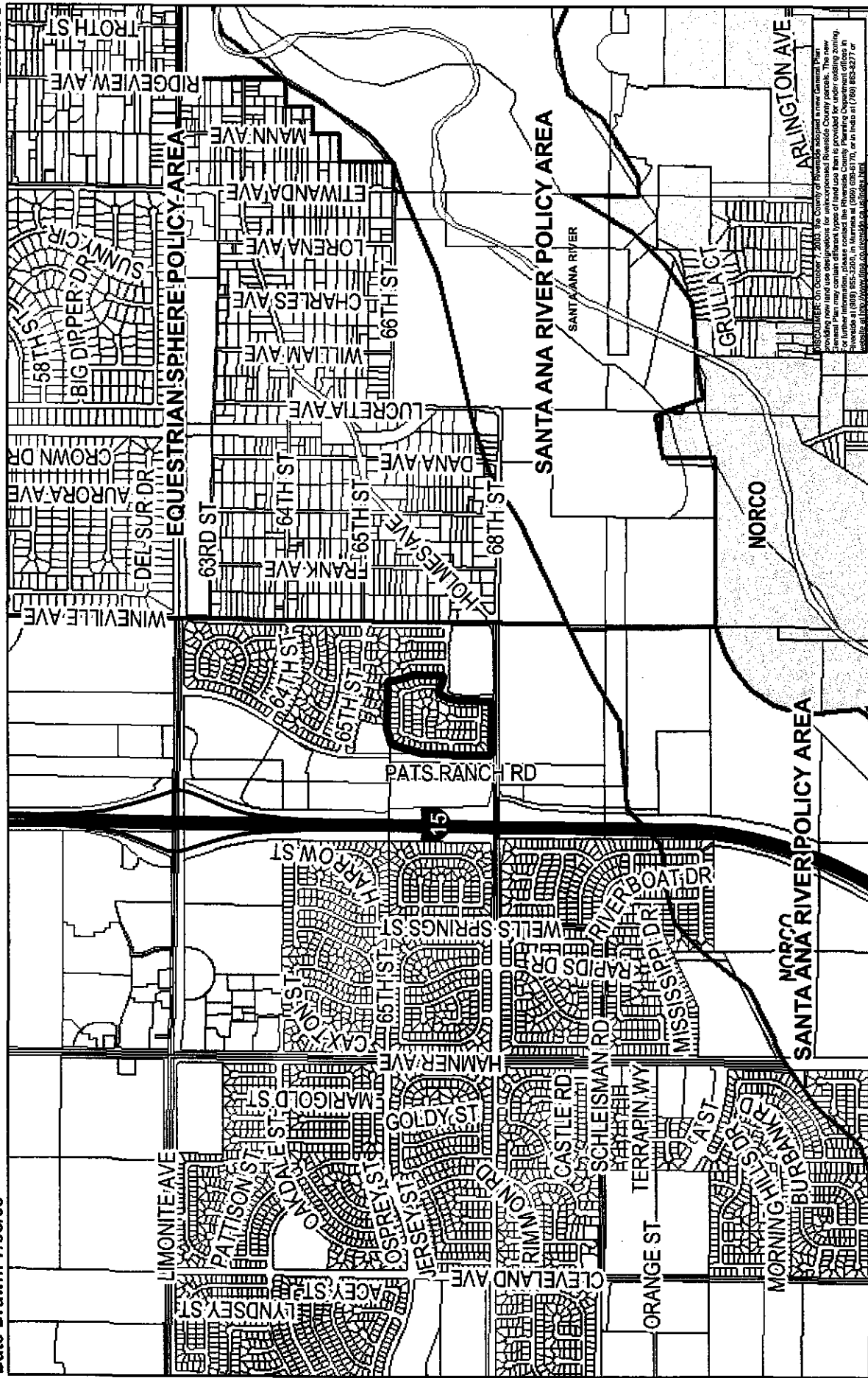
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POLICY AREAS**

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Exhibit 8

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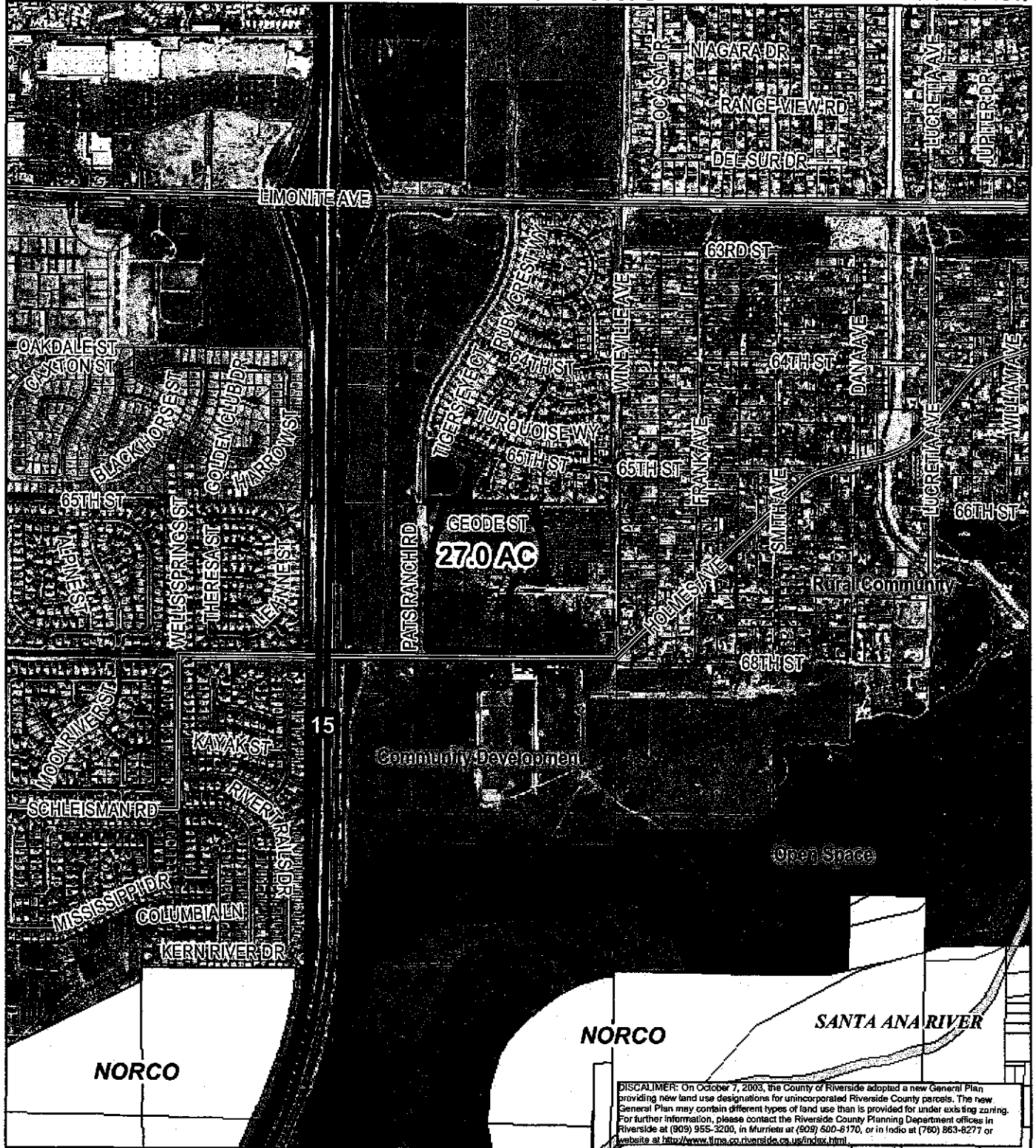
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DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY



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ENTITLEMENT / POLICY AMENDMENT

Case No. GPA1054 Supervisorial District: Second Existing Zoning: One-Family Dwellings (R-1)

Area Plan: Jurupa Area Plan Acreage: 27 Gross

EXISTING GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATIONS

Existing General Plan Foundation: Community Development

Existing General Plan Land Use Designation: Medium Density Residential

Existing Policy Area(s) or Overlay(s): None

Existing Map(s) of Issue: N/A

Existing Text of Issue (cite GP page #, plus policy #, if applicable): N/A

PROPOSED GENERAL PLAN CHANGES (For categories with no proposed change, write "N/A" on applicable line.)

Proposed General Plan Foundation: Community Development

Proposed General Plan Land Use Designation: High Density Residential

Proposed Change to Policy Area or Overlay: N/A

Proposed Change to Map (cite GP map name): N/A

Proposed Revision(s) to GP Text: (Attach redline/strike-out of text): N/A

CHECK LIST

Affected by	Yes	No	Comments
Coachella Valley MSHCP Conservation Area		X	
Western Riverside County MSHCP Cell		X	
Agricultural Preserve		X	
Airport Compatibility Zone		X	
Flood Plain (Zone A - 100 Year)		X	
FLT Sand Source Area or FLT Preserve		X	
Fault Zone		X	
Faults within 1/2 Mile		X	
Liquefaction Potential; Subsidence	X		Moderate
High Fire Area		X	
Code Compliant		X	
MSHCP Conserved Land		X	
Access / Alternate Access Issues		X	
Water / Sewer Issues		X	
City Sphere of Influence		X	
Proposed Annexation/ Incorporation Area		X	
Other Issues* (see below)		X	

*** OTHER ISSUES:**

<i>Item</i>	<i>Policy</i>	<i>Discussion</i>

ENTITLEMENT/POLICY FINDINGS *(Check all that apply)*

Is there a reasonable possibility that the first two findings listed below and any one or more of the subsequent findings listed below can be made?*

Finding	Yes	No	Comment
The proposed change does not involve a change in or conflict with: the Riverside County Vision; any General Planning Principle set forth in General Plan Appendix B; or any Foundation Component designation in the General Plan.	X		See Staff Report
The proposed amendment would either contribute to the purposes of the General Plan or, at a minimum, would not be detrimental to them.	X		See Staff Report
Special circumstances or conditions have emerged that were unanticipated in preparing the General Plan.	X		See Staff Report
A change in policy is required to conform to changes in state or federal law or applicable findings of a court of law.		X	
An amendment is required to comply with an update of the Housing Element or change in State Housing Element law.		X	
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An amendment is required to address changes in ownership of land or land not under the land use authority of the Board of Supervisors.		X	

* **THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDER BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INITIATING AMENDMENT PROCEEDINGS SHALL NOT IMPLY ANY SUCH AMENDMENT WILL BE APPROVED.**

Case: ENTITLEMENT/POLICY GPA882

STAFF COMMENTS:

Department	Comments
Planning	See Staff Report
Transportation	N/A
EPD	N/A
Fire	N/A
Flood	N/A
Building and Safety	N/A
Geologist	N/A

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