

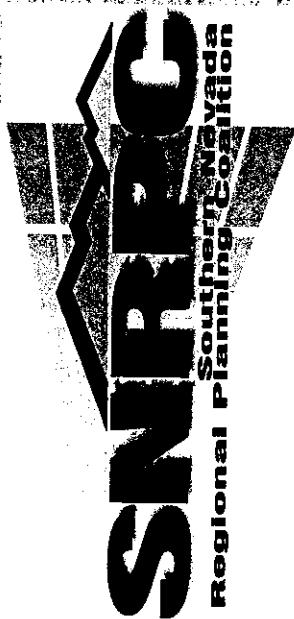
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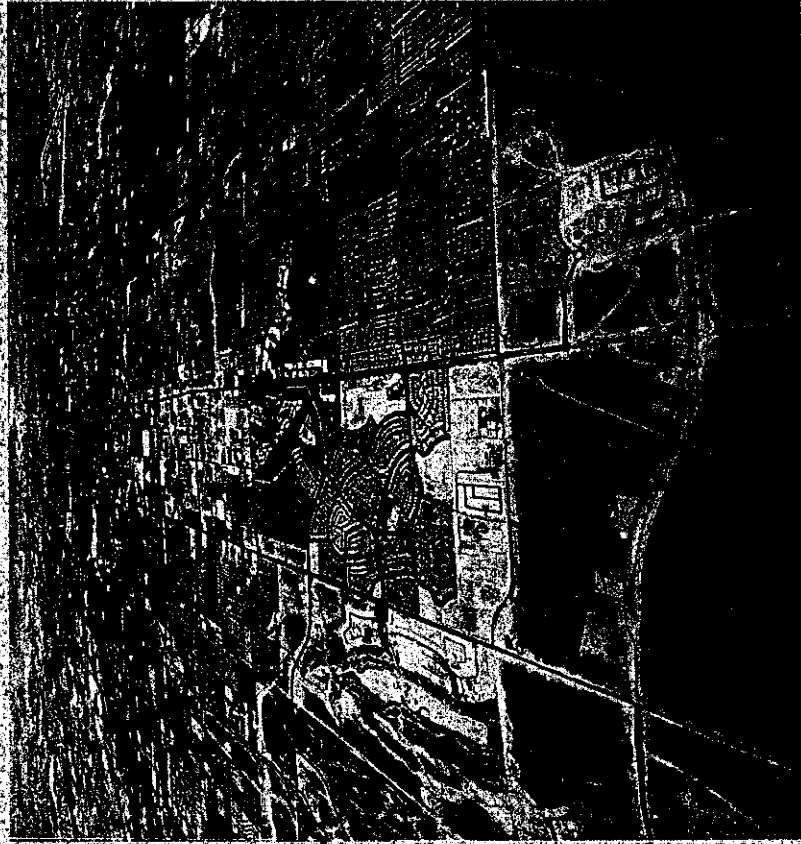
Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition

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Introduction

- ◆ Fastest growing region in the Country
- ◆ Current population: 1.5 million
- ◆ 2020 population: 2-3 million
- ◆ Mixed blessing of growth: economic prosperity, but pressure on roads, sewers, schools, and the environment
- ◆ Challenge: Sustain growth while maintaining quality of life



State Legislation



- ◆ Created Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition - 1999
- ◆ Elected officials from Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, Henderson, Boulder City, Clark County, and Clark County School District
- ◆ Mandated creation of a plan

Plan Elements

- ◆ Conservation, Open Space, and Natural Resources
- ◆ Population Forecasts
- ◆ Land Use
- ◆ Transportation
- ◆ Public Facilities
- ◆ Air Quality
- ◆ Infill



Putting the Plan Together

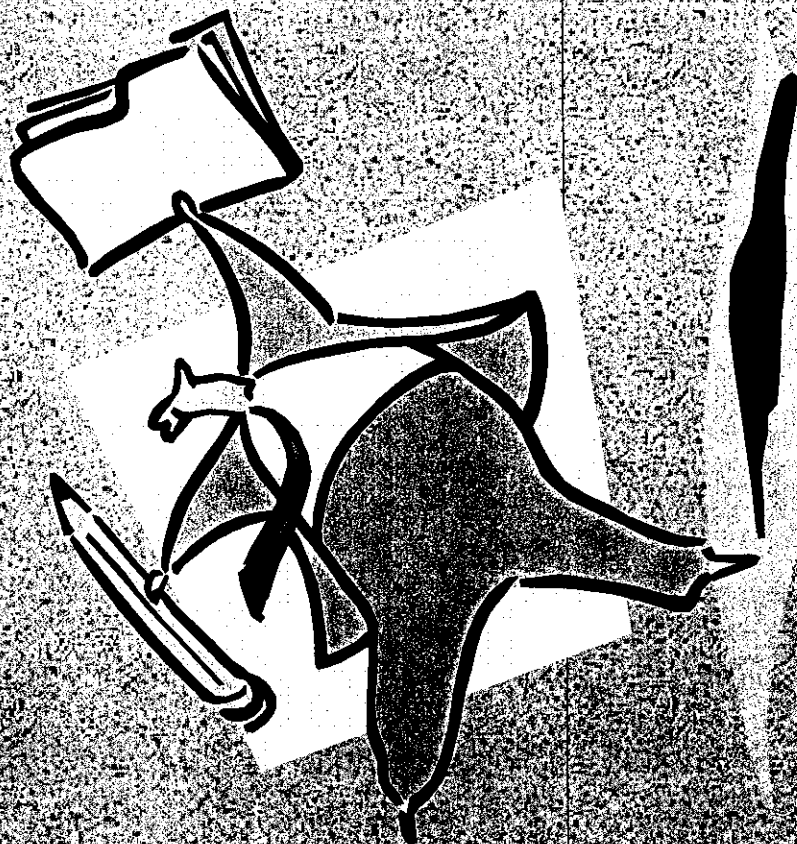
- ◆ Built on Existing and Previous Planning
- ◆ Participation by Stakeholders at Many Levels
- ◆ Guiding Principles



Comparative Analysis

◆ Cheers:

- ◆ Small number of local governments
- ◆ Amount of regional planning
- ◆ Density of development
- ◆ Housing affordability
- ◆ Transit ridership
- ◆ Employment growth
- ◆ Low infrastructure financing backlog
- ◆ Air Quality



Comparative Analysis



- ♦ Jeers:
- ♦ Acres of parks and miles of trails
- ♦ Vehicle miles traveled
- ♦ Regional land use coordination
- ♦ School site coordination
- ♦ Watershed quality

Southern Nevada Regional Policy Plan

- ◆ Adopted by the
SNRPC February 22,
2001
- ◆ Accepted by the
Nevada State
Legislature in March
of 2001



Priorities Established For Each Plan Element

◆ Examples:

- ◆ Create a regional trails and open space plan
- ◆ Multi purpose flood control systems
- ◆ Complete a coordinated transportation and air quality plan
- ◆ Inter-jurisdictional planning committee to address improved school sites
- ◆ Establish common definition of infill and infill policies

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Conformance

- ◆ By July 1, 2002, and every 5 years thereafter, review local plans to determine if plans in “substantial conformance” with Regional Plan
- ◆ Definition in Regional Policy Plan (p. 28):
 - “Compatible with” = “not in conflict”
 - “Furthers” = take actions in the direction of regional plan.
 - Cooperative approach: consensus building, negotiation, reconciliation.
- ◆ Conformance review process adopted by SNRPC

Conforming Agencies

- ◆ Boulder City
- ◆ Clark County
- ◆ City of Henderson
- ◆ City of Las Vegas
- ◆ City of North Las Vegas
- ◆ Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada
- ◆ Clark County Regional Flood Control District
- ◆ Southern Nevada Water Authority
- ◆ Las Vegas Valley Water District
- ◆ Clark County Department of Air Quality Management
- ◆ Clark County Sanitation District
- ◆ Southwest Gas Corporation
- ◆ Nevada Power Company
- ◆ University of Nevada Las Vegas
- ◆ Clark County School District
- ◆ State of Nevada, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Much is already being done to further the Regional Policy Plan.

◆ RECD has already
amended its design
manual to include a
multi-use facilities
policy

◆ Nevada Power
encourages trail use
within utility corridors

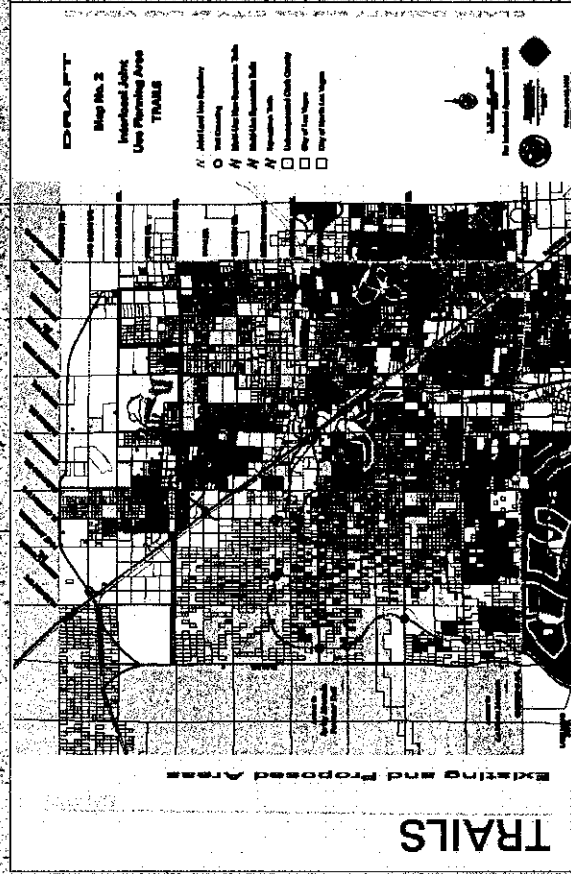
◆ CCSD has created a
prototype design for
an elementary school
that lends itself to
infill sites

◆ Clark County park located on an infill site in an at need neighborhood

◆ Boulder City is developing a new Master Plan, with the explicit direction that it conform to the Regional Policy Plan

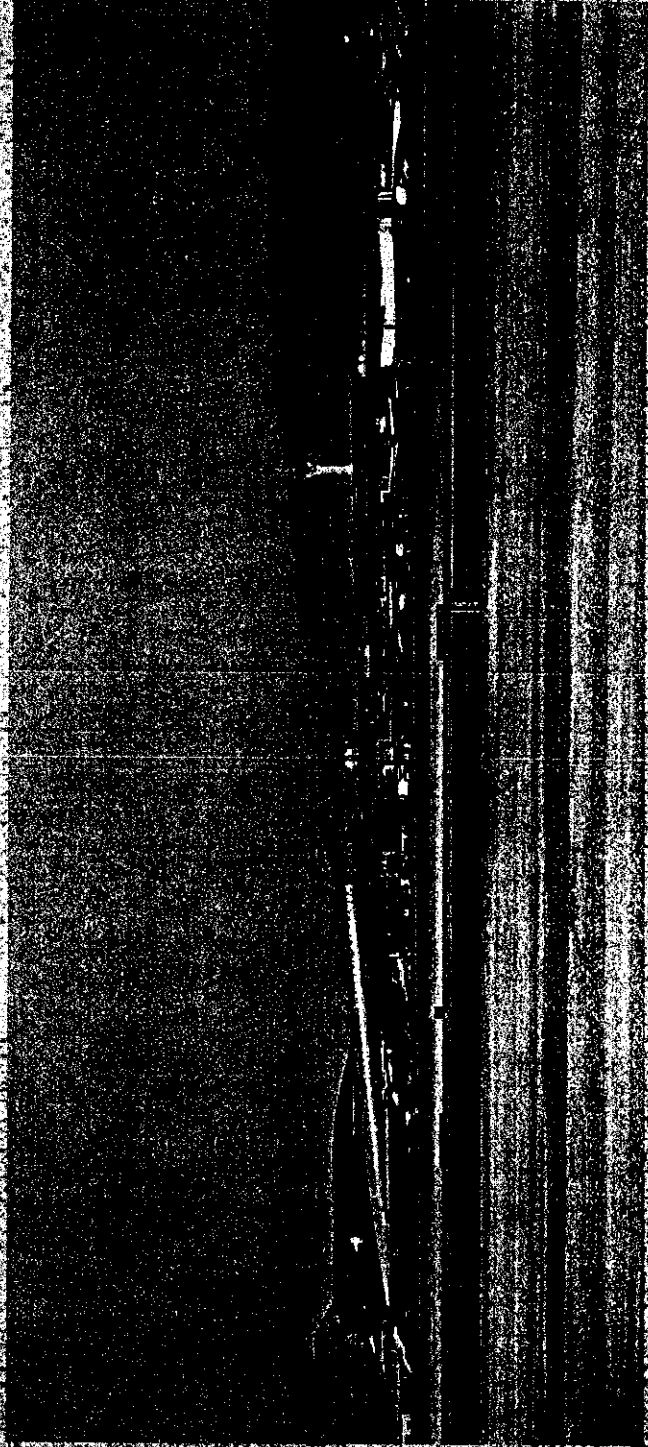
◆ North Las Vegas has established a process of blight removal and other assistance on infill projects

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Projects of Regional Significance

- ◆ Definition
- ◆ Size
- ◆ Location
- ◆ Review Process
- ◆ Voluntary compliance
- ◆ Written findings



RPC Role

- ◆ Tier 1 and Tier 2 agencies are taking steps to further the Regional Plan
- ◆ However, much of the responsibility for implementing the Plan rests with the RPC itself
- ◆ Many of the actions identified in the Plan require a multi-jurisdictional approach that requires initiative and leadership by RPC

RPC Role (continued)

- ◆ Examples of regional initiatives:
- ◆ Infill - "Infill Development Plan" has been completed
- ◆ Regional approach to homelessness
- ◆ Regional trails plan has been adopted
- ◆ Inter-jurisdictional planning committee to improve planning of school sites
- ◆ Baseline level-of-service standards for public facilities
- ◆ Develop standard definitions of parks and open space
- ◆ Adopt uniform sensitive land protection standards

Next Steps...



- ◆ Planning process engendered cooperation that can be built on
- ◆ Starting point for “doing”
- ◆ Establishing work plans to address priority issues

Next Steps...

◆ Growth Summits

◆ Growth Summit One held on March 24, 2003

◆ “How Do We Grow?”

◆ Growth Summits Two & Three to be held April 28th & 29th, 2003

◆ “Open Space”

◆ “Interjurisdictional Impacts”

◆ “Making It Happen”