

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTYWIDE REGIONAL COMPACT

A united regional framework to unlock our potential to develop an adequate supply of housing and resilient infrastructure that support our economic prosperity.

People, water, transportation, connectivity, and housing form the foundation of San Luis Obispo County Region's healthy, livable communities and thriving economic opportunity.

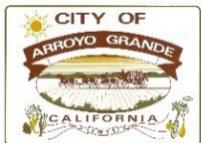
We are a rural coastal county with seven vibrant cities and numerous unincorporated communities that depend on collaborative relationships between and among government agencies, community organizations, and residents to solve our Region's significant issues, such as limited water supply, disconnects between communities, climate impacts, pressure on agriculture and open space resources, and inadequate access to affordable housing.

To identify actions our agencies can take to solve these issues, we agree to develop our first *Regional Infrastructure and Housing Strategic Action Plan*. This regional effort examines infrastructure and housing needs countywide and integrates efforts to address critical shortages. Our organizations are signing this compact as a first, necessary step toward creating opportunities for our local workforce and families, while preserving the appeal and vitality of our Region.

Our agencies collectively embrace the following six shared regional goals and support aligning resources and policies to make progress towards acting on them. These regional goals will underpin the future *Regional Infrastructure and Housing Strategic Action Plan*, create compatibility among the eight local agencies' *Housing Elements*, and drive future recommendations for collaborative actions.

Strengthen community quality of life	We believe that our Region's quality of life depends on four cornerstones to foster a stable and healthy economy for all: resilient infrastructure, services, and resources, adequate housing supply, business opportunities, and educational pathways.
Share regional prosperity	We believe that our Region should share the impacts and benefits of achieving enduring quality of life among all people, sectors and interests.
Create balanced communities	We believe that our Region should encourage new development that helps to improve the balance of jobs and housing throughout the Region, providing more opportunities for residents to live and work in the same community.
Value agricultural & natural resources	We believe that our Region's unique agricultural resources, open space, and natural environments play a vital role in sustaining healthy local communities and a healthy economy, and therefore should be purposefully protected.
Support equitable & diverse opportunities	We believe that our Region should support policies, actions and incentives that increase the diversity of housing available to people at all income levels.
Foster accelerated housing production	We believe that our Region must achieve efficient planning and production of housing and focus on strategies that produce the greatest impact.

We believe that these regional goals will help to protect and enhance our communities, build critical infrastructure, protect natural resources and create a forward-thinking future for all of our communities. We believe in the importance of taking responsibility for leading our Region towards a brighter future. By signing this compact on this ___ day of _____ 2020, we commit to act as partners by aligning actions with these regional goals. By taking collaborative actions to further these goals, we believe that our Region will solve critical issues and become a statewide leader in sustaining vibrant communities.



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