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THE ROLE OF LOCAL AGENCIES IN SECURING SUCCESSFUL SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT

THE STATE OF THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT: WHAT DOES IS MEAN FOR
LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES
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THE BASICS:

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LAND USE PLANNING AGENCIES AND SGMA

- Composition of Groundwater Sustainable Agencies
 - Local Agencies can be GSAs (Cities, Counties, [some] Special Districts)
 - Local Agencies can collaborate to form GSAs with other Local Agencies, Water Corporations and Native American Tribes through JPAs or MOUs
- Alignment of goals – preventing undesirable results will support the long term sustainability of our cities, towns and counties
- Groundwater Sustainability Plans will impact cities', counties' and communities' growth and development goals
- GSPs could promote or impede improved well-being of residents in your jurisdictions
- Get involved now and encourage broad engagement of all interested parties

THE LEGISLATURE FINDS AND DECLARES:

COORDINATION BETWEEN LAND USE AND WATER MANAGEMENT

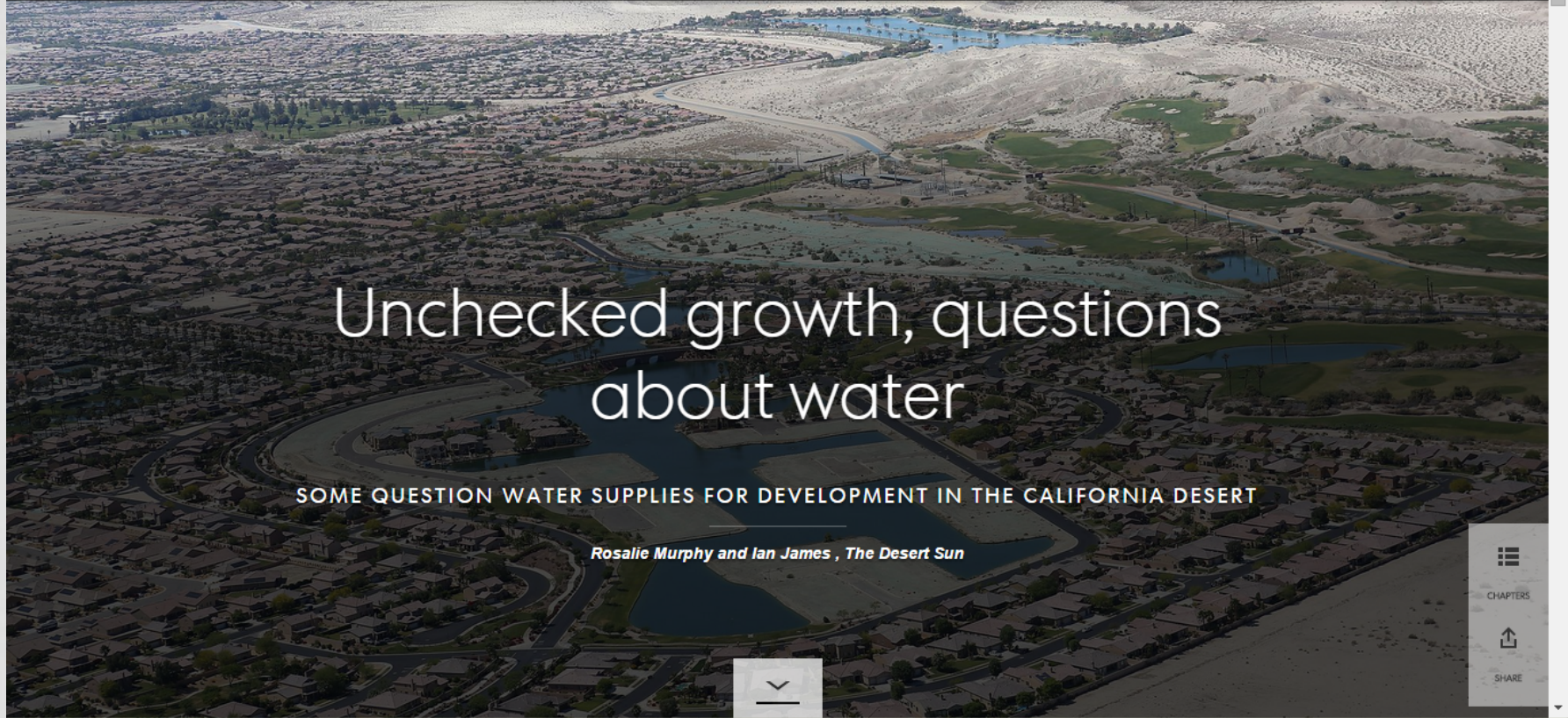
- The Legislature finds and declares
 - that there must be close coordination and consultation between water supply or management agencies and land use approval agencies...
- It is the intent of the Legislature
 - To provide a standardized process for determining the adequacy of water supplies to meet existing and planned future demands and the impact of land use decisions on the management of California's water supply resources.

END OF AN ERA: CONSIDERATION OF WATER SUPPLIES DIVORCED FROM LAND USE PLANNING

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SOME QUESTION WATER SUPPLIES FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE CALIFORNIA DESERT

Rosalie Murphy and Ian James , The Desert Sun

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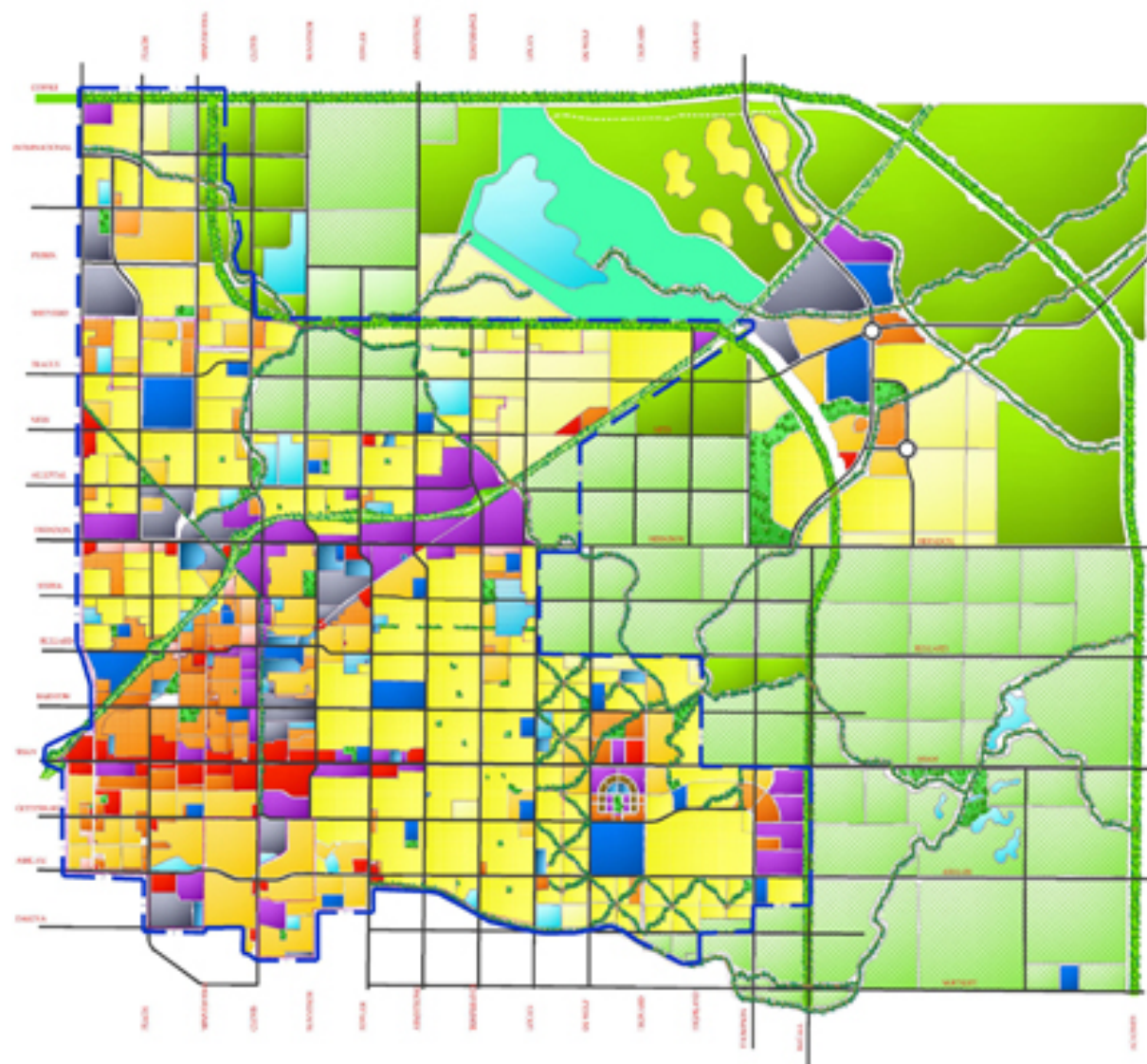
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CONSIDERATION OF BENEFICIAL USES AND USERS

- The GSAs shall consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as well as those responsible for implementing GSPs. Interests include:
 - Local land use planning agencies
 - Disadvantaged communities
 - Tribal Interests
 - And many more (see Water Code 10723.2)

CONSIDERATION OF BENEFICIAL USES AND USERS

- A GSP shall include, in collaboration with the appropriate local agencies, processes to review land use plans and efforts to coordinate with land use planning agencies to assess activities that potentially create risks to groundwater quality or quantity. (WC 10727.4)



LAND USE DESIGNATIONS

- AGRICULTURAL USE
- RURAL RESIDENTIAL
- VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
- LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
- MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
- MEDIUM-HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
- HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
- VERY HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
- COMMERCIAL USE
- MIXED USE / BUSINESS CAMPUS
- OFFICE USE
- INDUSTRIAL
- PUBLIC / QUASI-PUBLIC FACILITIES
- SCHOOLS
- WATER BASIN
- OPEN SPACE
- PARKS
- TRAILS AND PATHS
- CLOVIS CITY LIMITS
- CLOVIS SPHERE OF INFLUENCE
- SPECIAL STUDY AREA


CITY OF CLOVIS
GENERAL PLAN

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IMPLICATIONS OF SGMA FOR LAND USE PLANNING:

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF GROUNDWATER REQUIREMENTS

- Before the adoption or any substantial amendment of a general plan, the planning agency shall:
 - Review and consider a GSP (GC 65350.5)
 - Refer the proposed action to any GSA that has adopted a GSP or a local agency that otherwise manages groundwater within the planning area of the proposed general plan. (GC 65352)
 - Note: Implications for Housing Elements

IMPLICATIONS OF SGMA FOR LAND USE PLANNING:

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF GROUNDWATER REQUIREMENTS

- Upon receiving notification of a proposed action to adopt or substantially amend a general plan, a GSA shall provide the City / County with:
 - The current version of its GSP
 - A report on the anticipated effect of proposed action to adopt or substantially amend a general plan on implementation of a GSP (GC 65352.5)

OVERVIEW OF REQUIREMENTS: HOW MUST GSAS AND LAND USE AGENCIES COMMUNICATE AND COLLABORATE

- A GSA may control groundwater extractions by...otherwise establishing groundwater extraction allocations. (WC10726.4)
- Those actions shall be consistent with the applicable elements of the city or county general plan, unless there is insufficient sustainable yield in the basin to serve a land use designated in the city or county general plan. (WC10726.4)
- Nothing in this chapter or a groundwater sustainability plan shall be interpreted as superseding the land use authority of cities and counties, including the city or county general plan, within the overlying basin. (WC10726.8)

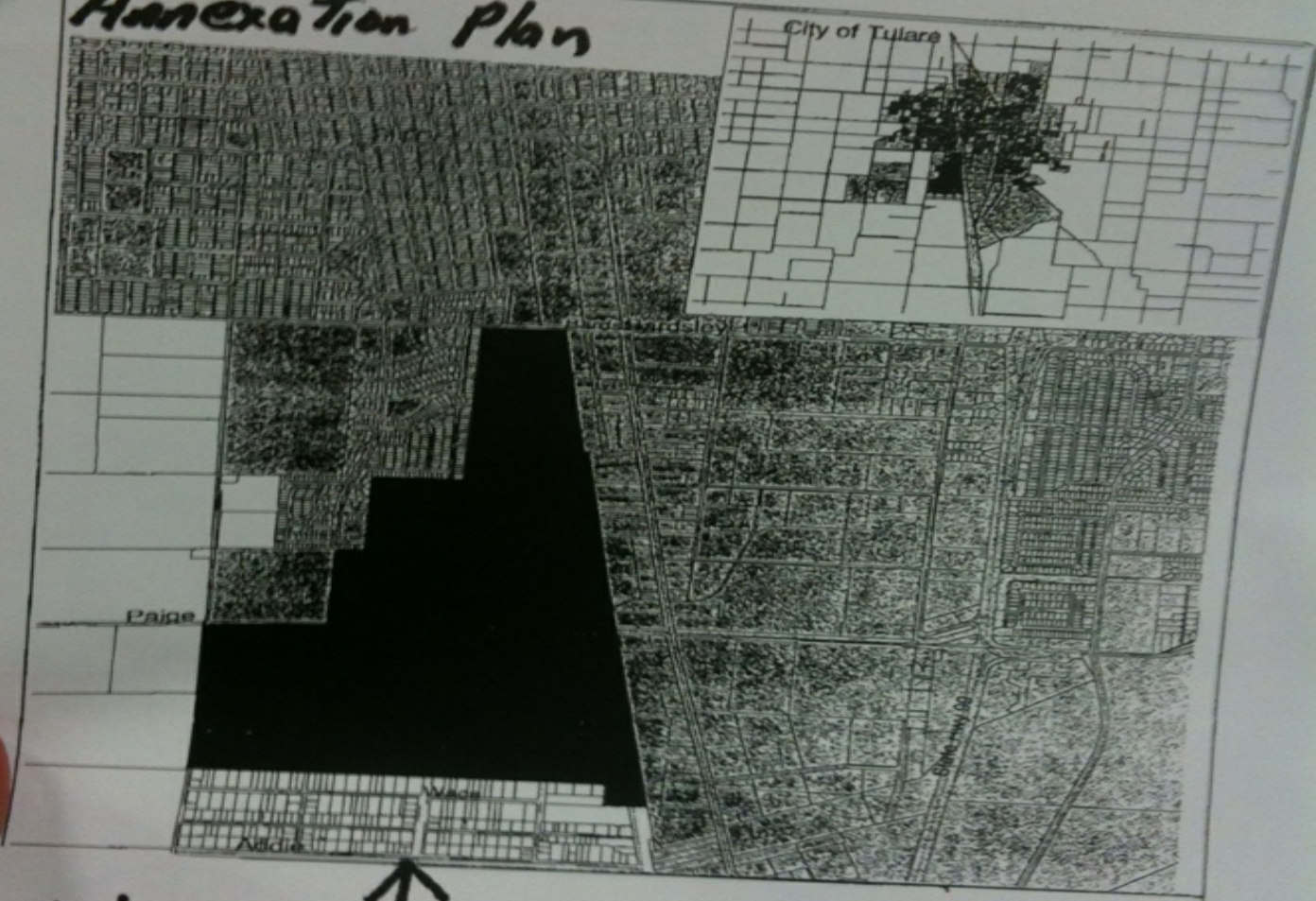


BEYOND CITIES AND COUNTIES: WHY THIS MATTERS FOR ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- The Role of LAFCOs
 - Sphere of Influence Updates, Annexations and Municipal Service Reviews
- The Role of COGs and MPOs
 - Can housing and roads go where water doesn't flow?
- CSDs that do not have land use authority
 - Must be involved to ensure county accountability to unincorporated areas

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Annexation Plan



What about Me? (ಠ_ಠ)

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Get involved now:
 - Governance structures are being developed
 - Principles are being explored
 - Who's best to elevate your jurisdiction's interests?
- Encourage participation of stakeholders in your jurisdiction

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Find out who in your area is convening a GSA to obtain up to date documents and get info on meetings
 - Contact DWR to find out if any agency / agencies in your area have filed notification of being the GSA for the area
 - Contact agencies leading and implementing Integrated Regional Water Management Plans (IRWMPs)
 - Contact Counties
 - We can help
- At the very least...Make sure you submit your name as an interested party – you will receive updates regarding GSP development



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