

Valley Springs Community Plan

Project Update

<p>2008 Caltrans Community Based Transportation Planning Grant awarded to CCOG</p> <hr/> <p>Request for Proposals released to solicit qualified planning and design consultant December</p>
<p>2009 EDAW, Inc. selected as the project consultant January</p> <hr/> <p>Stakeholder Advisory Committee is formed March</p> <hr/> <p>Pre-workshop community questionnaire mailed to the greater Valley Springs area residents</p> <hr/> <p>First Community Workshops May 28 - June 2</p> <hr/> <p>Second Community Workshop August 27</p> <hr/> <p>Letter mailed to Rancho Calaveras residents clarifying relationship between Community Plan and Rancho Calaveras Special Plan October</p> <hr/> <p>Letter mailed to property owners who may be affected by Community Plan land use changes November</p>
<p>2010 Community Plan Draft Land Use Map and Circulation Map</p> <hr/> <p>Third Community Workshop January 21</p> <hr/> <p>Presentation of full DRAFT Valley Springs Community Plan March</p> <hr/> <p>Community Plan Document finalized May</p> <hr/> <p>Document is presented to County Planning Department, Planning Commission, and Board of Supervisors for inclusion in the General Plan Update</p>

With the support of a Caltrans Community-Based Transportation Planning Grant, the Calaveras Council of Governments (CCOG), in partnership with Calaveras County, Local Government Commission (LGC), and MyValleySprings.com (MVS), is coordinating the update of the Valley Springs Community Plan. This intensive, community-driven effort builds upon several public presentations on planning for rural communities and a community design workshop in 2007 hosted by MVS, who contracted with LGC to conduct two of the presentations and the design workshop.

The project partners selected the Sacramento-based planning and design firm, EDAW, Inc. through a competitive proposal process to prepare the Valley Springs Community Plan.



In March 2009, a Stakeholders Advisory Committee (SAC) was convened to provide guidance to this process. Members include representatives from the Greater Valley Springs Advisory Group (GVSAG), Valley Springs Area Business Association (VSABA), development and business communities, water and utility agencies, landowners, agriculture, public and social services, fire district, Rancho Calaveras Property Owners Association (RCPOA), environmental groups, local government, and residents.

May 28 to June 2, 2009, a concentrated series of meetings and workshops were held to explore strategies for future growth and preservation. On August 27, a second community workshop was held on future growth scenarios, what can be accomplished through a community plan, and draft community plan boundary alternatives.

What's Next?

The Community Plan Draft Land Use Map and Circulation Map will be released for public viewing. The next community workshop will be held on January 21, 2010, to present and discuss the land use and circulation components. A full draft of the Valley Springs Community Plan will be presented in March, and the plan will be finalized in May 2010. Upon completion, the plan will be presented to the County Planning Department, Planning Commission, and Board of Supervisors for inclusion in the Calaveras County General Plan Update.