

GENERAL PLAN
1988-2010



INTRODUCTION

This General Plan is the product of an involved process which included professional research and public input from the City Council-appointed General Plan Advisory Committee and the General Plan Steering Committee. The document was originally written by Craig Ewing. Willdan Associates was retained by the City of Fillmore to assure the document's internal consistency, compliance with State of California General Plan Guidelines, and to rearrange the document into its present format.

The time horizon for the General Plan is the year 2010. The Planning Area encompasses the current City Limits, Sphere of Influence and immediate environs. The Planning Area is generally defined to the west and south by the Sespe Creek and Santa Clara River floodways, to the east by the State fish hatchery, and to the north and northeast by hillside slopes of 30 percent and greater gradient. The population projection selected for the time horizon of this Plan is 17,450 persons. This projection reflects a slower growth rate than historically experienced by the City; however, it is generally consistent with the most recently adopted regional population projections included in the Ventura County Air Quality Management Program. It is recommended that the General Plan be reviewed by the City at five-year intervals and this population projection be adjusted to reflect development in the City during the previous five-year period.

This General Plan has been formatted to include Goals and Policies in the front of the document followed by seven General Plan Elements:

- I. Land Use Element
- II. Circulation Element
- III. Housing Element
- IV. Conservation and Open Space Element
- V. Noise Element
- VI. Safety Element
- VII. Public Facilities Element

AB3180, adding section 21081.6 to the Public Resources Code, requires public agencies to adopt a reporting and monitoring program for adopted or required changes to mitigate or avoid significant environmental effects. The

intent of the program is to ensure compliance with mitigation measures during project implementation. Upon adoption of the draft General Plan, a mitigation monitoring program will be prepared to monitor the implementation and effectiveness of required mitigation measures. This monitoring program will be adopted in a separate action.