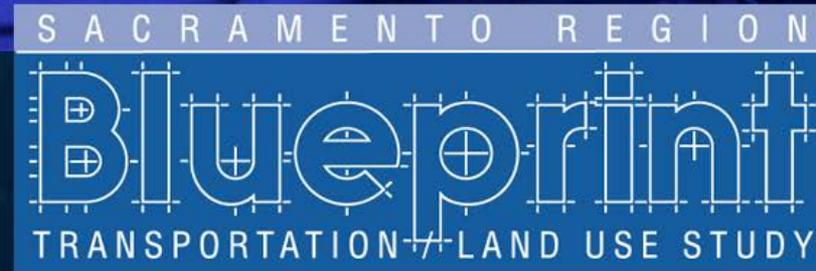


# SACOG Regional Planning and Housing



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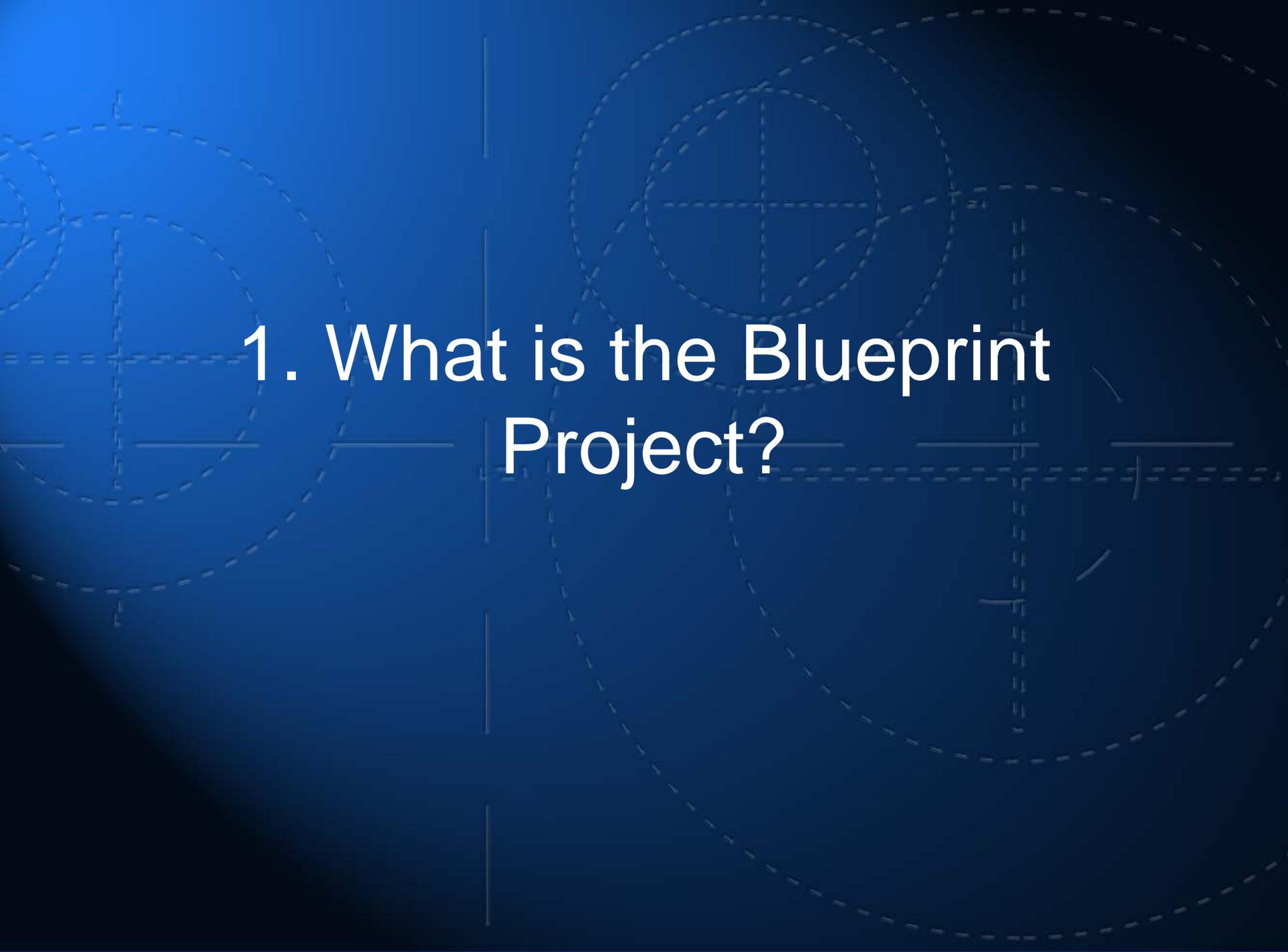
# SACOG region



Its members include the counties of **El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba** as well as their constituent municipal governments.

# SACOG – Key Activities

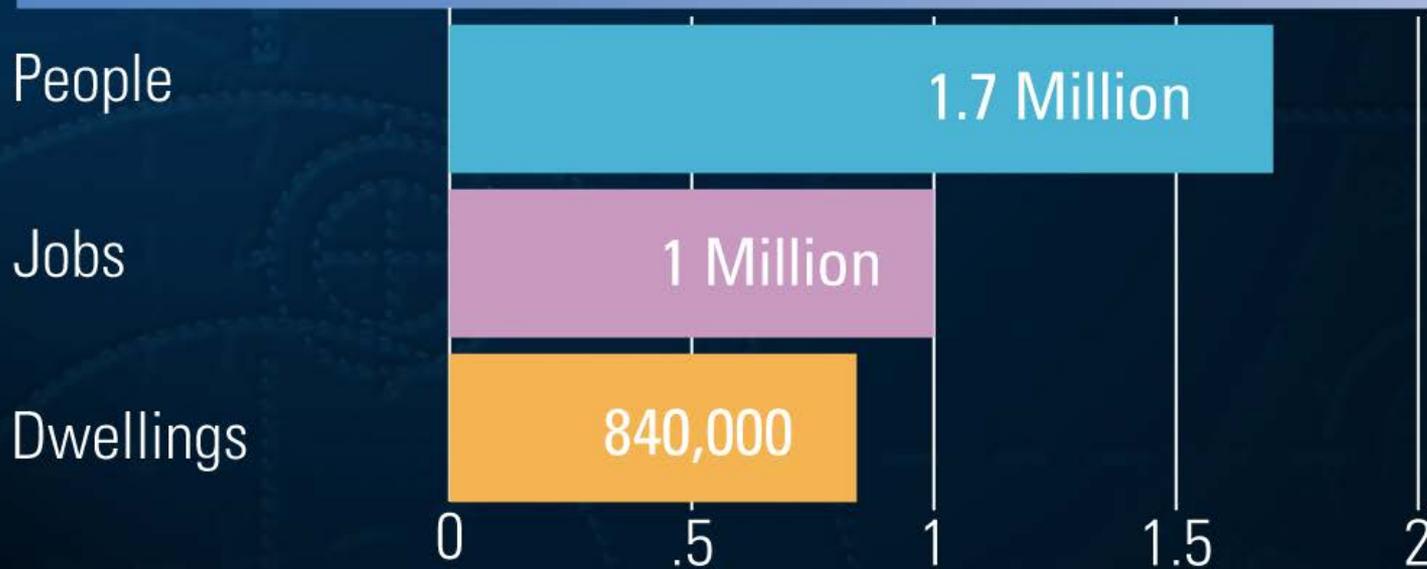
1. Blueprint
2. Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS)
3. Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA)



# 1. What is the Blueprint Project?

# 1. WHAT IS THE BLUEPRINT? How to Best Manage Growth?

## AMOUNT OF GROWTH Through 2050





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# Blueprint

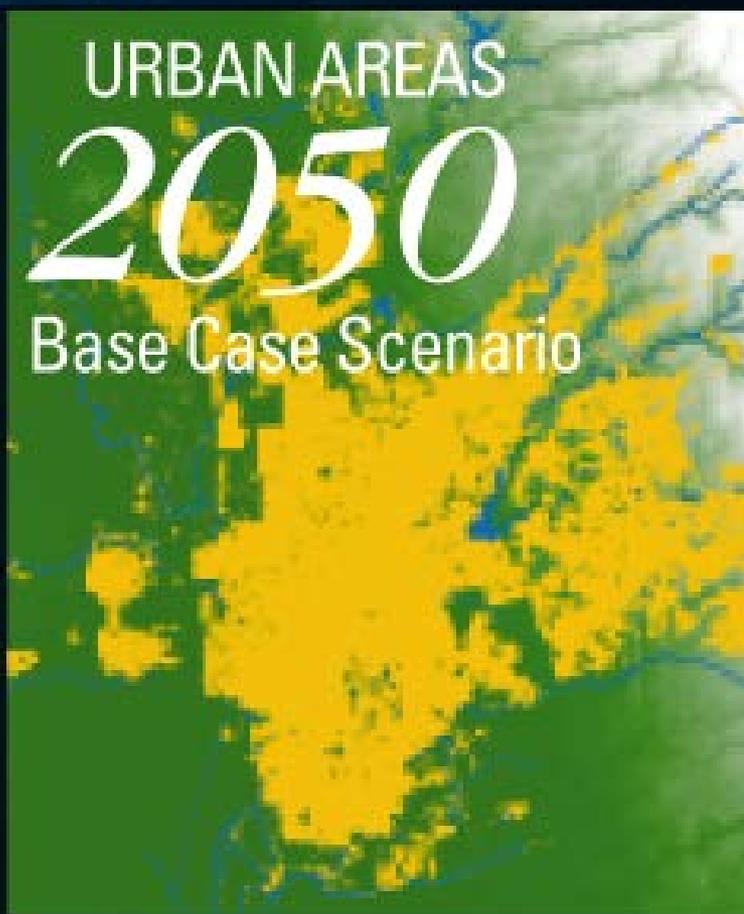
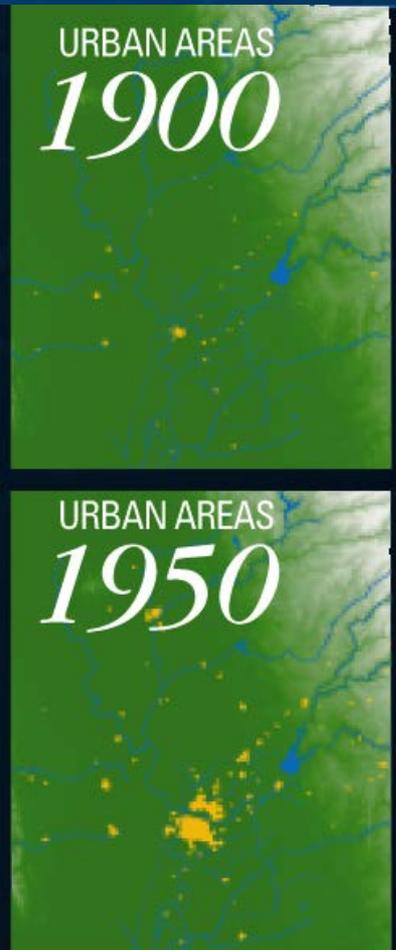
TRANSPORTATION LAND USE STUDY

URBAN AREAS  
*1900*

URBAN AREAS  
*2000*

URBAN AREAS  
*2050*  
Base Case Scenario

URBAN AREAS  
*1950*



# Seven principles of smart growth

Transportation  
Choices



Compact  
Development



Mixed  
Land Uses



Housing  
Choices



Use Existing  
Assets



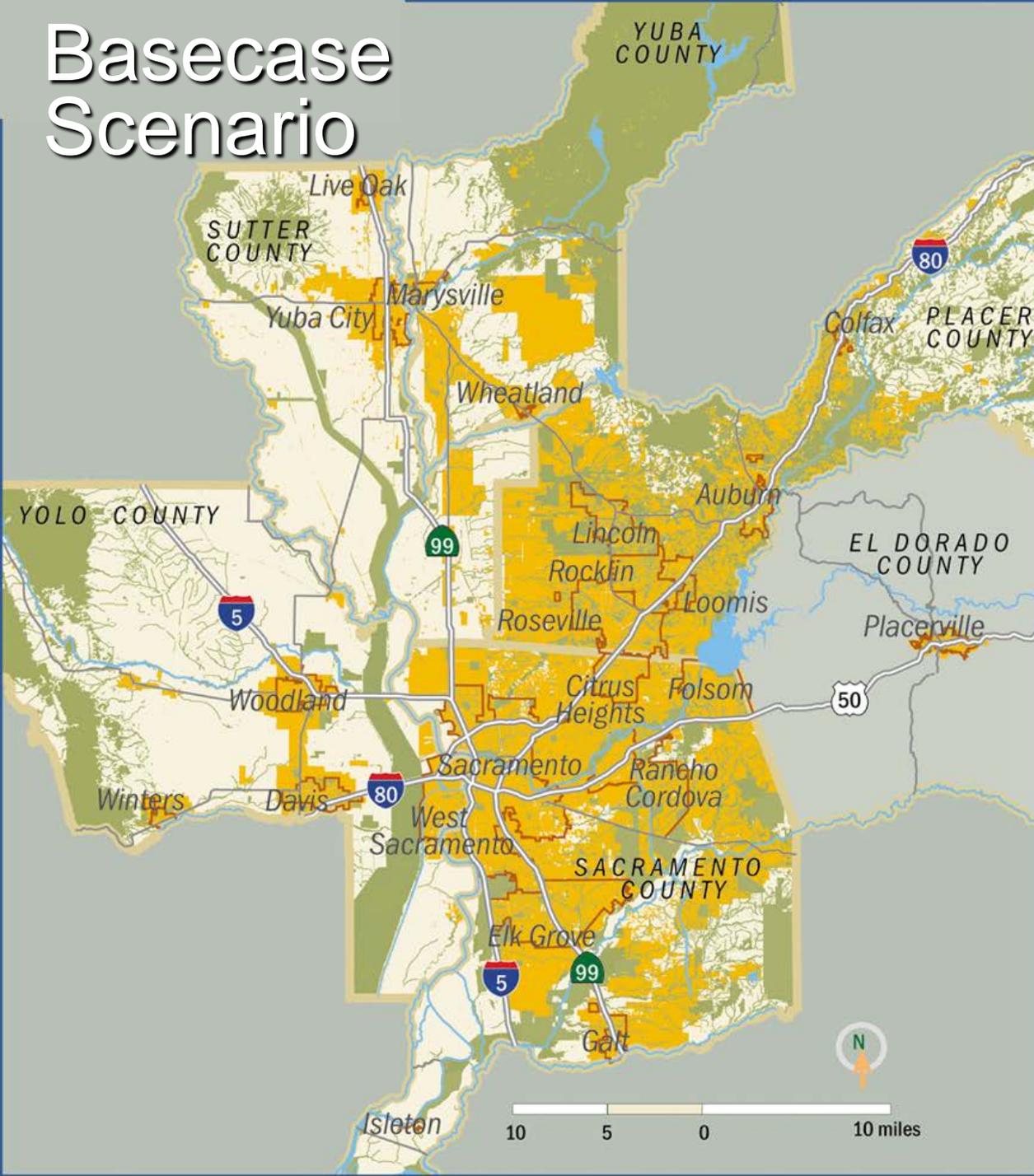
Conserve  
Natural Resources



Quality  
Design



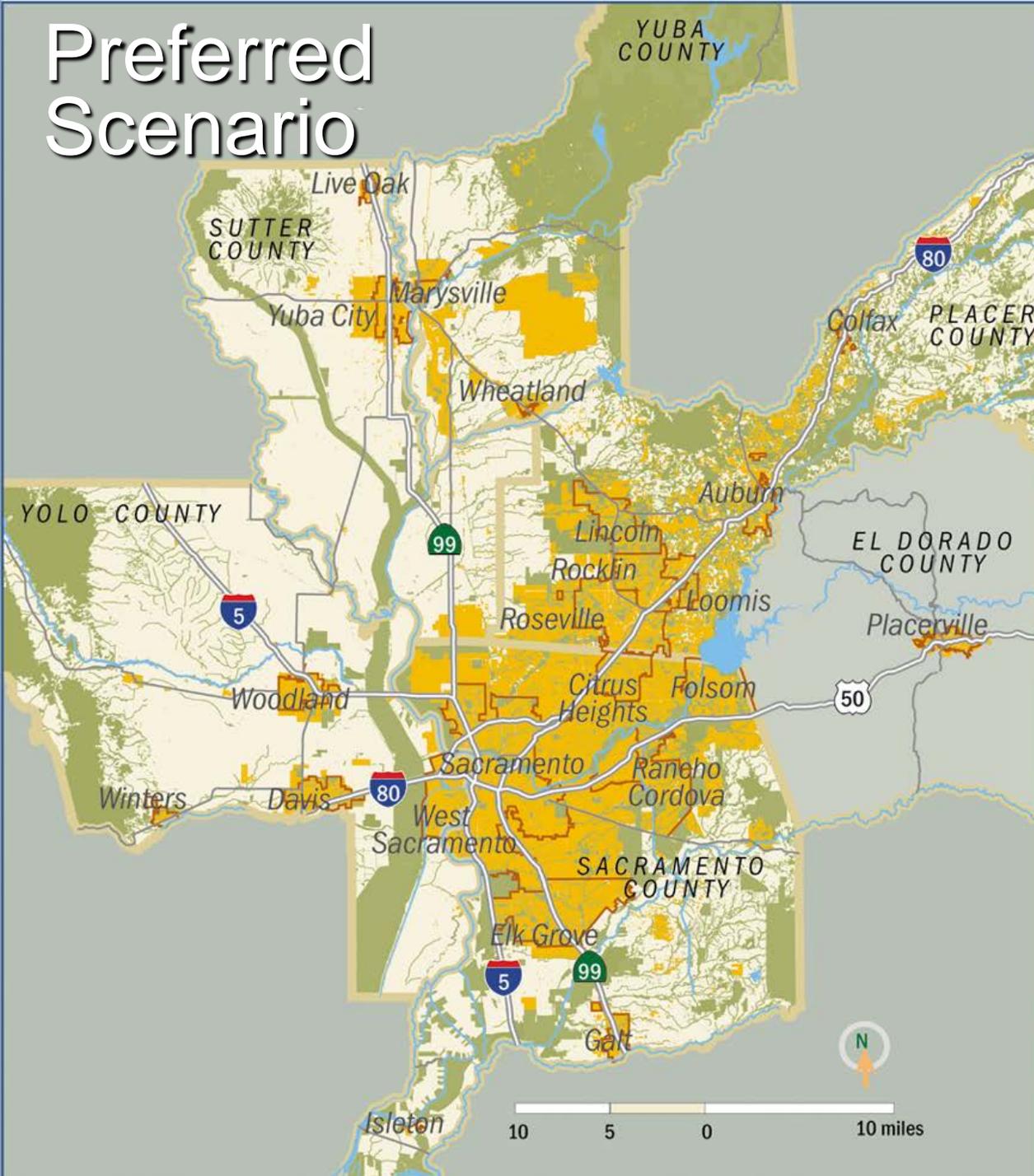
# Basecase Scenario



## Key to the Map

-  areas of existing and future development
-  green areas (e.g. open space, parks, wetlands, vernal pools, stream corridors, hardwood stands)
-  agriculture and other undeveloped lands
-  rivers, streams and lakes
-  city boundaries
-  highways
-  county boundaries

# Preferred Scenario



## Key to the Map

-  areas of existing and future development
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# Less Urban Land

## ADDITIONAL URBANIZED LAND

Through 2050  
*(in square miles)*

Base Case  
Scenario

661 sm

Preferred  
Blueprint  
Scenario

304 sm

0 175 350 525 700

230,000 acres of farmland conserved!

# Reduced impacts on farmland. For every 1,000 new residents:

1988-2005

**333**

acres

2005-2035

**42**

acres



# Traffic Congestion Basecase



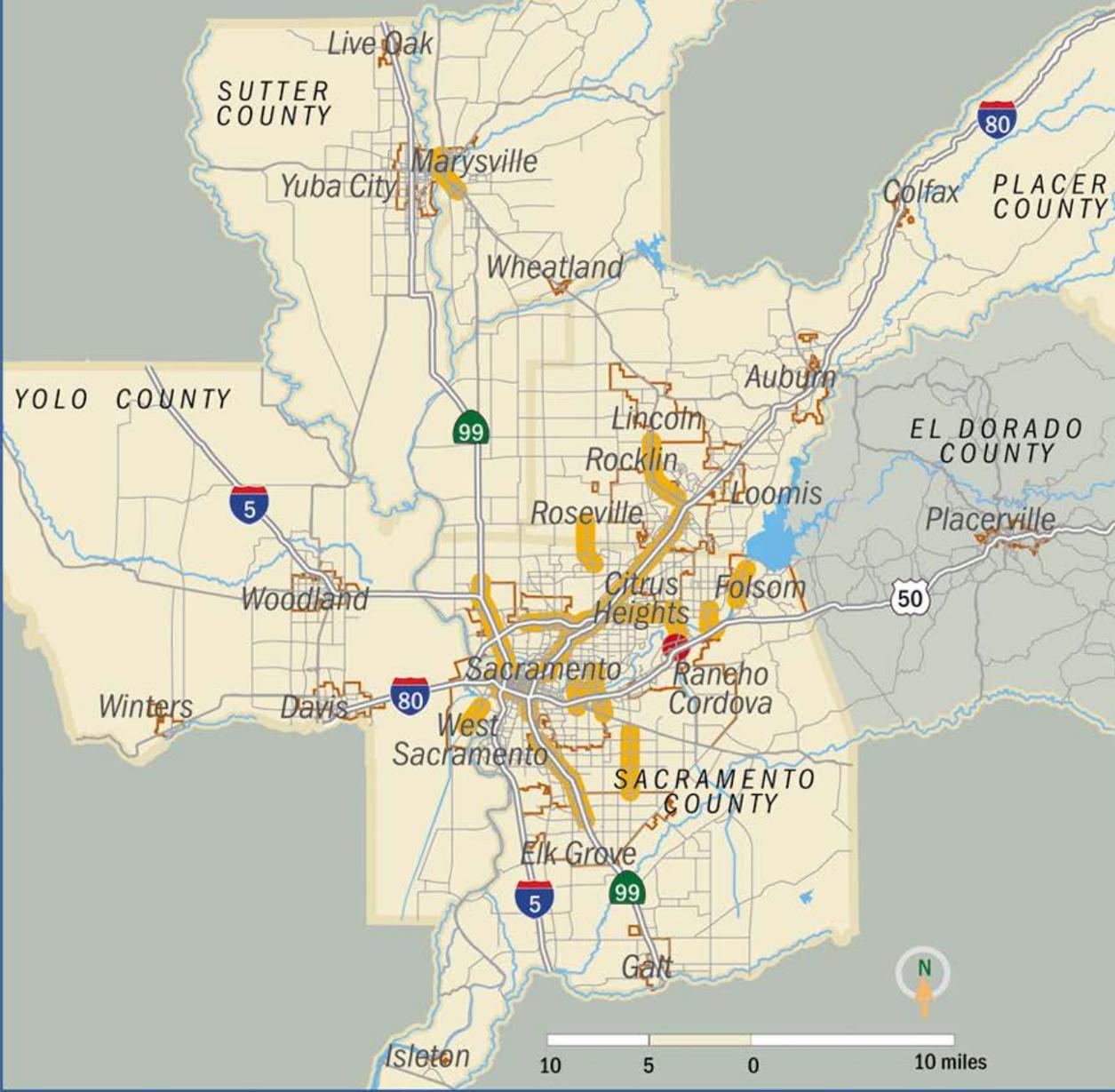
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## Blueprint TRANSPORTATION LAND USE STUDY

### Key to the Traffic Congestion Maps

- Traffic approaching capacity
- Traffic exceeds capacity

# Traffic Congestion Preferred Scenario



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**Blueprint**  
TRANSPORTATION LAND USE STUDY

## Key to the Traffic Congestion Maps

- Traffic approaching capacity
- Traffic exceeds capacity

## 2005 VMT PER HOUSEHOLD BY DENSITY AT PLACE OF RESIDENCE

*Jobs + Dwellings within 1/4 mile of Place of Residence*



# Shorter Trips

## VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED *(per household per day)*





## 2. What is a Metropolitan Transportation Plan/ Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS)?

# Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

- Federally required 20+ year plan for:
  - Freeways and highways
  - Transit
  - Local streets and roads
  - Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- Identifies specific projects and programs
- Financially constrained
- Updated every four years
- Must conform with Clean Air Act requirements

# Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS)

- State required (SB 375) addition to MTP
  - Reduce per capita greenhouse gas emissions from passenger vehicles
  - Forecasted land use pattern
  - Transportation investments for land uses help meet target
  - CEQA streamlining benefits for residential and mixed-use developments

# What is in the MTP/SCS?

- **Long-range Economic Forecast**
- **Land Use Forecast**
- **Transportation Budget & Investments**
- **Performance Outcomes**
- **Policies & Strategies**



**3. WHAT IS THE  
REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS  
ALLOCATION  
(RHNA)?**

**AND WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO  
THE CITY'S HOUSING  
ELEMENT?**

# Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA)

- State Law requires SACOG to “allocate” projected housing units to each jurisdiction
- Eight year planning period (2013-21)
- Projections from SACOG based on MTP/SCS forecasts

# RHNA (cont.-2)

- One overall allocation, comprised of four income allocations: Very Low, Low, Moderate and Above Moderate
- Low and Very Low Income = “Affordable” (80% or less Median Family Income)
- Affordable units = either higher density and/or program to make and keep affordable

# RHNA (cont.-3)

- Allocation officially released Sept 2012
- City working on Housing Element – identifies how it will meet allocations
- City's obligation: Zone land, not necessarily build it during period
- Establish programs to promote affordable housing

# Questions

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