

# land use policy map

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The map depicts eleven generalized land use classifications, each of which is intended to describe the dominant use characteristics within the area covered. Due to the nature and scale of the map, land use patterns of less than fifty acres are generally not shown.

## 1. Low Density Residential

Areas suitable for single family housing units at densities which typically range from one to six units per gross acre.

## 2. Low/Medium Density Residential

Areas particularly suitable for small lot single family residences, twin-homes, duplexes and townhouse development at densities ranging from six to twelve units per gross acre.

## 3. Medium Density Residential

Areas generally suitable for multiple residential development including garden apartments, multi-plex, and high density townhouse development. Development generally does not exceed two stories in height, and ranges in density from 12 to 22 units per gross acre.

## 4. High Density Residential

Areas suitable for medium and high-rise apartments and condominiums, three or more stories in height, at densities which generally exceed 22 units per gross acre.

## 5. Major Commercial

Typical use patterns include central business districts, regional office complexes, major shopping malls and centers, and a range of mixed commercial retail and service activities.

## 6. Major Industrial

Areas generally appropriate for major industrial uses including manufacturing of all types, mineral extraction sites, refineries, warehousing and storage and product research and development. Small scale local industrial services are not shown and may be established to serve local needs.

## 7. Public and Semi-Public Facilities

Major existing and proposed public and semi-public uses, including airports and other major transportation facilities, solid and liquid waste disposal sites, utilities, public buildings, public and private educational institutions, religious institutions, hospitals, detention facilities and fairgrounds.

## 8. Non-Urban

Areas not currently planned for urban use or scheduled to receive an urban level of service. Within non-urban areas, rural residential and certain other uses (i.e. local and highway-orientated uses, resort and recreational uses, nature study centers, etc.) are permitted subject to established density, design and service standards.

## 9. Open Space

Includes both public and privately owned lands committed to long term open space use, and lands intended to be used in a manner compatible with open space objectives.

## 10. Significant Ecological Areas/ Habitat Management

Areas of important biological resources. The intent of the General Plan is to preserve and enhance SEA's for the benefit of County residents. (See also Special Management Areas map)

## 11. Rural Communities

Clustered rural settlements served by a rural level of commercial and public facilities. The intent of Plan policy is to permit future development at rural, and in some instances, low urban intensities.