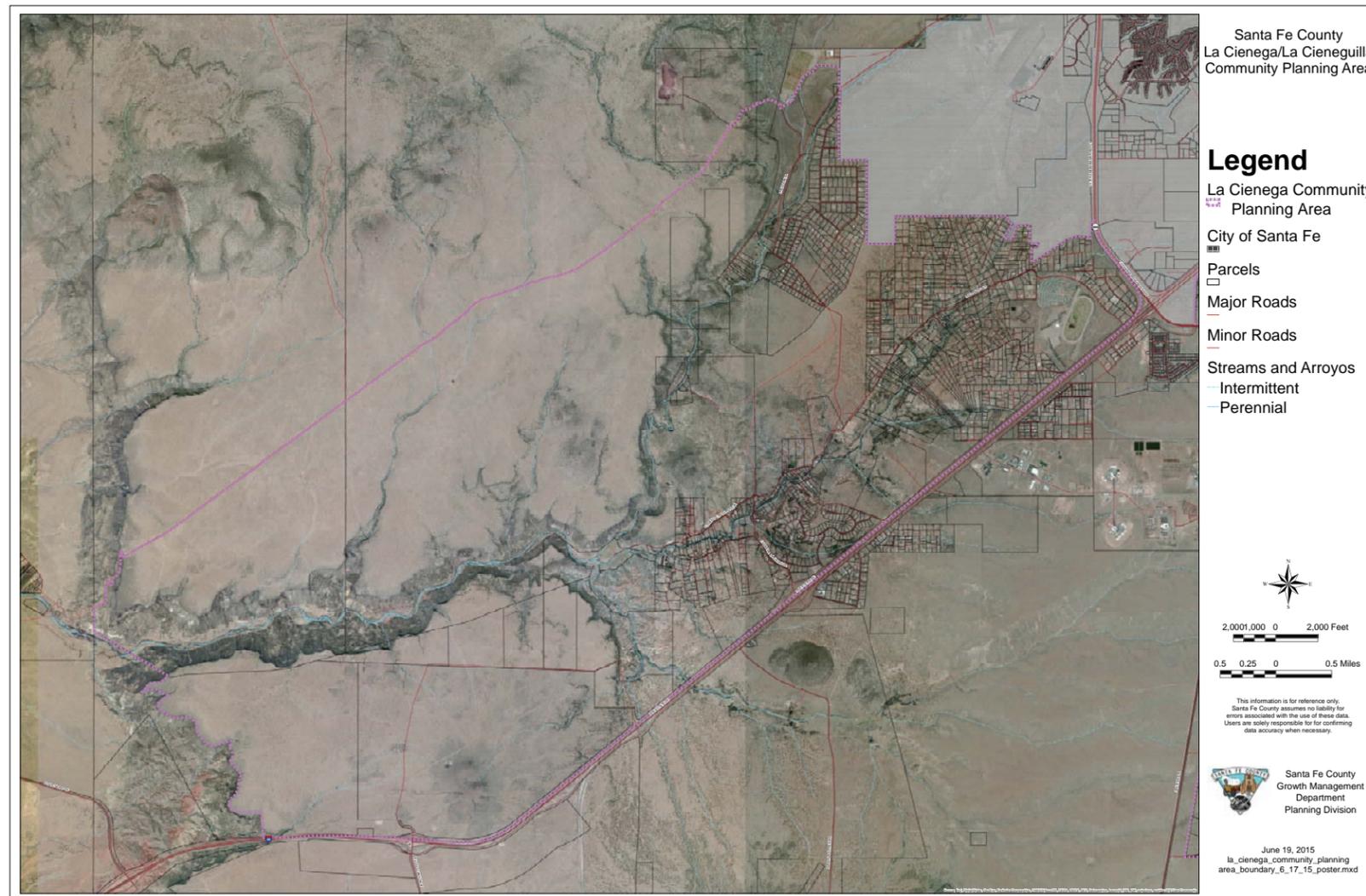


La Cienega and La Cieneguilla 2015 Community Plan

La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Planning Area Boundary



Welcome!

- This is an open house.
- Please sign in and get a name tag.
- We invite you to walk around and view all the posters.
- We are here to answer any questions regarding the process, the drafts and the anticipated outcomes.
- Please feel free to add any comments to the posters.
- Please discuss any questions or comments with your neighbors and County staff.
- Grab a drink and some snacks.

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Timeline

- March 1997 The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) authorized the preparation of a community for the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Traditional Community.
- August 14, 2001 The BCC adopted the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Community Plan with Resolution 2001-117.
- May 9, 2000 The BCC adopted Ordinance 2000-1 which declared La Cienega and La Cieneguilla a Traditional Historic Community.
- November 12, 2002 The BCC amended Ordinance 2000-7 expanding the boundary to coincide with the La Cieneguilla Traditional Community Planning Area.
- June 11, 2002 The BCC adopted Ordinance 2002-9 which created the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Traditional Community Zoning District.
- 2011 The La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Planning Committee drafted a Plan Update.
- January 2015 The BCC established Planning Committees for 13 zoning districts, including the La Cienega and La Cieneguilla district.

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The Valley of La Cienega is comprised of Lower La Cienega, Upper La Cienega and La Cieneguilla and surrounding areas. These rural communities in Santa Fe County share a long, enduring history, a scenic rural environment and a tradition of working together through discussion, education, listening and negotiation to solve problems and plan for the future by creating a community plan that encourages sensible and sustainable growth. In the late 1990's the communities began an in- depth community planning process that resulted in the adoption of the 2001 La Cienega/ La Cieneguilla Community Plan and corresponding 2002-9 Ordinance.

Much has changed since the 2001 Community Plan and corresponding ordinance were adopted. Population has increased 27% from 3,007 people in 2000 to 3,819 people in 2010. Correspondingly, 261 new homes were added and commercial development in southern portions of the City of Santa Fe and areas adjacent to the valley has greatly intensified. In 2010, the NM Railrunner Station at the interchange of NM 599 and I-25 just northeast of the plan area opened with over 200 parking spaces and bus connections to Los Alamos and Santa Fe, making it an important regional transit hub for northern New Mexico. These factors combined with the explosive residential growth of the 1990's have resulted in a population size equal to or greater than many incorporated New Mexico communities and towns.

Additionally, Santa Fe County's legal framework and policies for land use, growth management and development have changed since the 2001 Community Plan was adopted. In late 2010, the Board of County Commissioners, (BCC), adopted the Sustainable Growth Management Plan (SGMP). In December 2013 the BCC adopted

the corresponding Sustainable Land Development Code (SLDC) which when in effect will replace the 1996-10 Land Development Code and implement many of the policies from the SGMP. Most significantly, the new code presents a shift from the County's current hydrologic zoning, which regulates density based on water availability, to a fixed zoning scheme. To implement the new code and zoning scheme, the County will assign zoning districts and adopt a corresponding zoning map following criteria identified in the SGMP including water resources, proximity to public utilities, community character, existing and compatible land uses, densities and lot sizes. For areas such as La Cienega & La Cieneguilla covered by adopted plans and ordinances, the County will work with communities to assign base zoning districts and overlay zones as outlined in Chapter 9 of the SLDC. Both the SGMP and SLDC will guide land use and regulate development throughout the County for years to come.

In early 2011, in response to the adoption of the County's new General plan (the SGMP), La Cienega Valley community members recognized the need to revisit the 2001 La Cienega/ La Cieneguilla Community Plan, and corresponding 2002-9 Santa Fe County La Cienega/ La Cieneguilla Community District Ordinance. Over the course of several years, members of the community and the County worked together to assess changes in the area, update information, identify issues, and revise and develop strategies to manage growth and development in accordance with the SGMP and SDLC. The process was guided in large part by the Community Vision Statement established in the 2001 Plan

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LCLC Plan Vision:

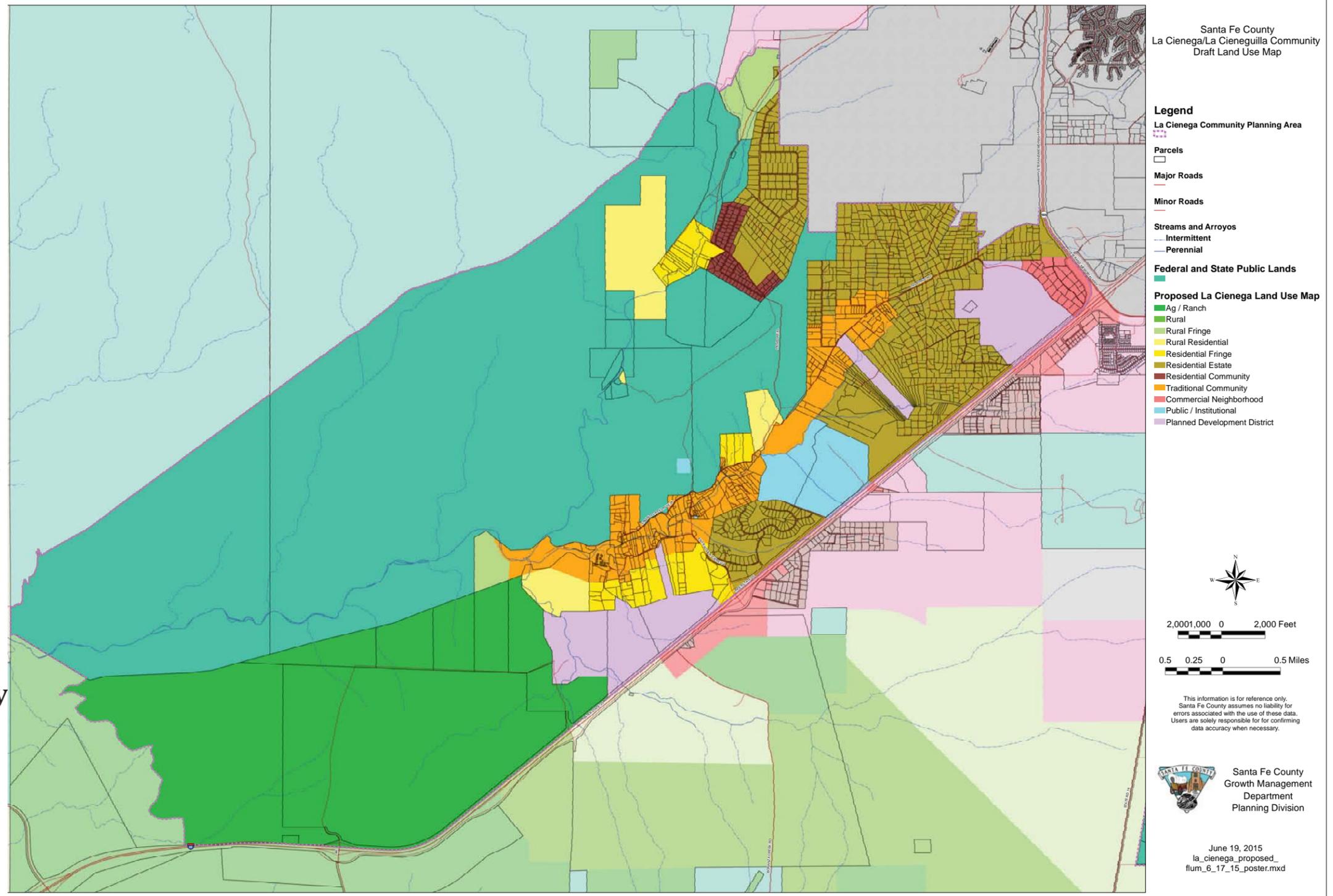
“The vision for our community is one of a peaceful and rural nature, one that respects diversity and is governed through unity. We resolve to protect our natural environment and unique character by honoring our traditional culture and the area’s historical, agricultural, livestock and rural low density residential development traditions. We wish to maintain our self-sufficiency and protect our community from urban sprawl. We wish to live in a community where people of all cultures and incomes share in decision making; a community in which any changes, improvements and decisions are dictated by realistic understanding of our available resources and by our vision of our relaxed and open quality of life”.

La Cienega and La Cieneguilla Community Proposed Land Use Map

Current uses and densities were used to match up appropriate land use categories.

A few areas to note include:

- The delineation of the 1 acre subdivision in La Cieneguilla.
- The neighborhood commercial area on Los Pinos and Erica road.
- The expansion of the traditional community to Tres Rio Ranch.



The proposed Land Use Map was created during this Community Planning Process.

