



EAST SACRAMENTO COMMUNITY PLAN

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Community Location

The East Sacramento Community Plan Area is located east of Downtown Sacramento. The East Sacramento Community Plan Area boundary encompasses approximately 7.1 square miles or 4,525 acres. The Plan Area is bounded on the north by the American River, on the south by the Gold Line Light Rail line and Jackson Highway, on the east by Watt Avenue, and on the west by Alhambra Boulevard. The Plan Area falls entirely within the city limits of Sacramento, with the exception of the easternmost corner falling within Sacramento County's jurisdiction. Figure ES-1 shows the East Sacramento Plan Area boundary and neighborhoods. Other Sacramento community plan areas that border East Sacramento include North Sacramento on the north, Central City on the west, and Fruitridge Broadway on the south. Unincorporated Sacramento County (Rosemont) borders East Sacramento on the east.

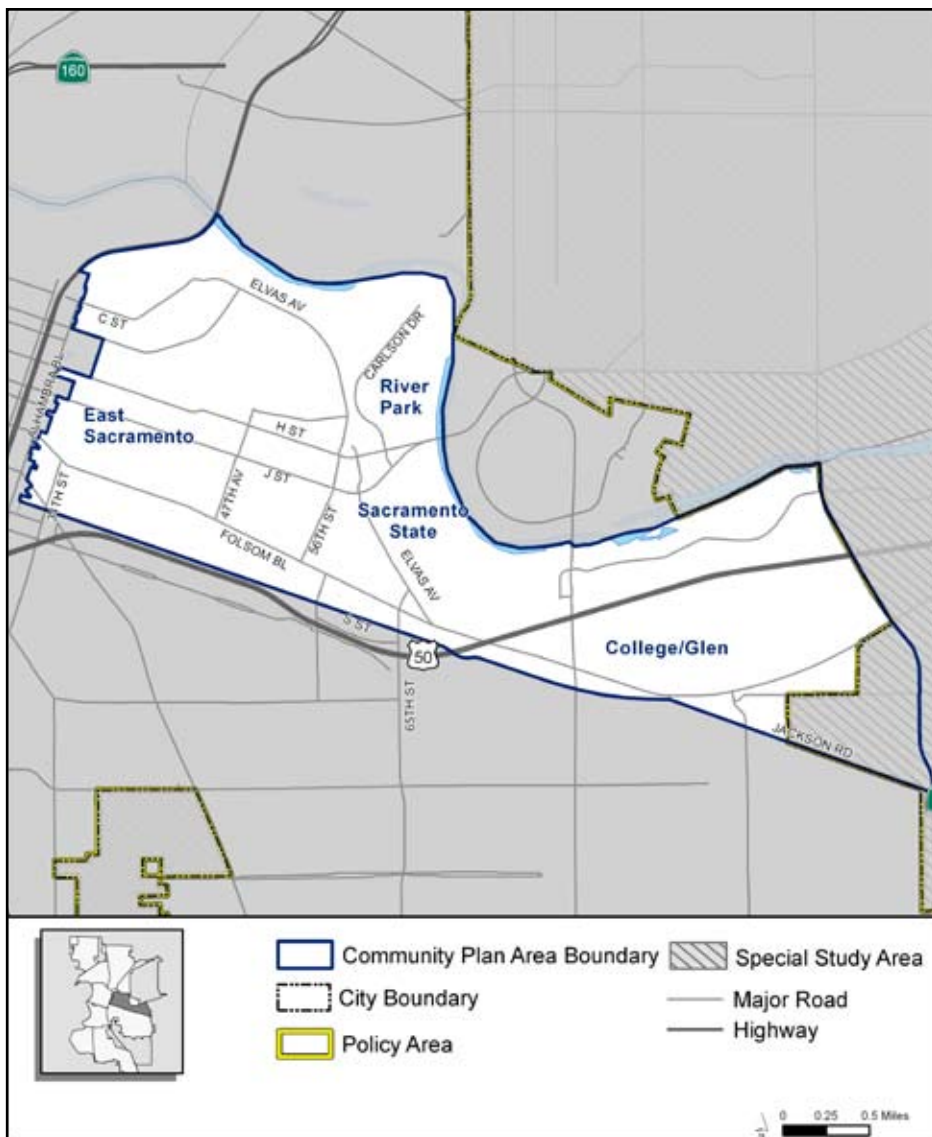


Figure ES-1
East Sacramento Boundary and
Neighborhoods



Community Vision

Community vision will be developed through a public process when the East Sacramento Community Plan is updated.

A community plan vision identifies how each community can contribute to Sacramento's citywide vision of becoming the most livable city in America. The community vision focuses on values and expectations specific to the community that can be accomplished by 2030, and beyond. Where the 2030 General Plan's goals, policies, and implementation programs define the roadmap of strategies to achieve the overall citywide vision, the community plan vision should be specific to each community and support the overall citywide vision. It can address community identity, economic health, neighborhood design and livability, mobility and connectivity, community safety and welfare, historic and cultural resources, access to open space and parks, and sustainability.

Community Profile

Development and Planning History

Development of East Sacramento neighborhoods and business districts began in the 1890s. Traditional neighborhoods east of Alhambra Boulevard were designed and built with streetcar lines that connected to Downtown Sacramento. Throughout the 1920s, residential development moved outward to the east converting agricultural land to residential uses. Later contributors to the area's eastern expansion included the development of the north/south line of Union Pacific railroad, the development of Highway Route 50, and Sacramento State.

As of 2008, the area is a connected group of stable residential neighborhoods. Redevelopment and infill is beginning to occur primarily around the light rail stations along the Gold Light Rail line, especially adjacent to the 65th Street/ University Village station.

Distinguishing Features

Predominant Land Uses

The East Sacramento Community Plan Area encompasses a diverse collection of traditional neighborhoods, centers, and transportation routes. Almost fully built-out, any remaining vacant land is scattered throughout the Plan Area. Four neighborhoods make up the Plan Area including East Sacramento, College/Glen, the Sacramento State campus and environs, and River Park. The majority of residential development in East Sacramento is made up of single-family homes in traditional neighborhoods.

Retail and commercial centers are distributed throughout the Community Plan Area and serve neighborhood service needs. Employment within East Sacramento is primarily office, followed by retail. The public sector, comprising local, state, and federal employees (e.g., teachers at local schools and Sacramento State), is a significant employer in the East Sacramento Plan Area. Major employment centers are Sacramento State, Mercy Medical Center, and industrial areas south of Folsom Boulevard. While industrial sectors employ the least number of people, they are still a significant source of jobs. East Sacramento has a relatively balanced jobs-to-housing ratio of 1.4 jobs for every housing unit in the Plan Area.

East Sacramento has small, scattered parks and recreation areas including Crescent Park (0.40 acre), East Lawn Children's Park (0.35 acre), East Portal Park (7.48 acres), Glenbrook Park (19.22 acres), Hall Park (8.19 acres), Henschel Park (2.54 acres), McKinley Park (32.0 acres), Oki Park (14.27 acres), and River Park (3.0 acres).

Major Transportation Routes

Highway 50 and Business 80 are major freeways connecting the East Sacramento area to the greater Sacramento area and beyond. Connecting to these freeways are several north/south arterials including Alhambra Boulevard, Howe Avenue, and Watt Avenue, which provide automobile and bike access through the planning area and connect residents to surrounding communities and neighborhoods. Arterials such as Folsom Boulevard and Jackson Highway provide east/west access from the area to Sacramento County. Light rail transit (LRT) facilities run parallel to Highway 50 and Folsom Boulevard. The Union Pacific heavy rail line runs northwest/southeast through the area and is used primarily to transport freight.

Community Issues

Community issues will be developed when a future community planning process is undertaken.

Land Use and Urban Form Designations

The Land Use and Urban Design Element in Part 2 of the General Plan includes a diagram and set of designations that combine direction for both land use and urban form. The system includes components that address standards and guidelines for allowed uses, population density, and building intensity, as well as urban form criteria for the different neighborhoods and centers throughout the city. These components work together to define allowed uses and building intensities as well as the overall role of each area of the city, whether it's for living (neighborhoods), gathering, commerce, and employment (centers), travel and commerce (corridors), preservation (open space), or a unique role (other district) such as a college. The land use and urban form designations for East Sacramento are illustrated in Figure ES-2. The Opportunity Areas section in this community plan includes a detailed discussion of land use and urban form for the 65th Street/University Village opportunity area. For a detailed explanation of land use and urban form designations for the entire community plan area refer to the Land Use and Urban Design Element in Part 2 of the General Plan.

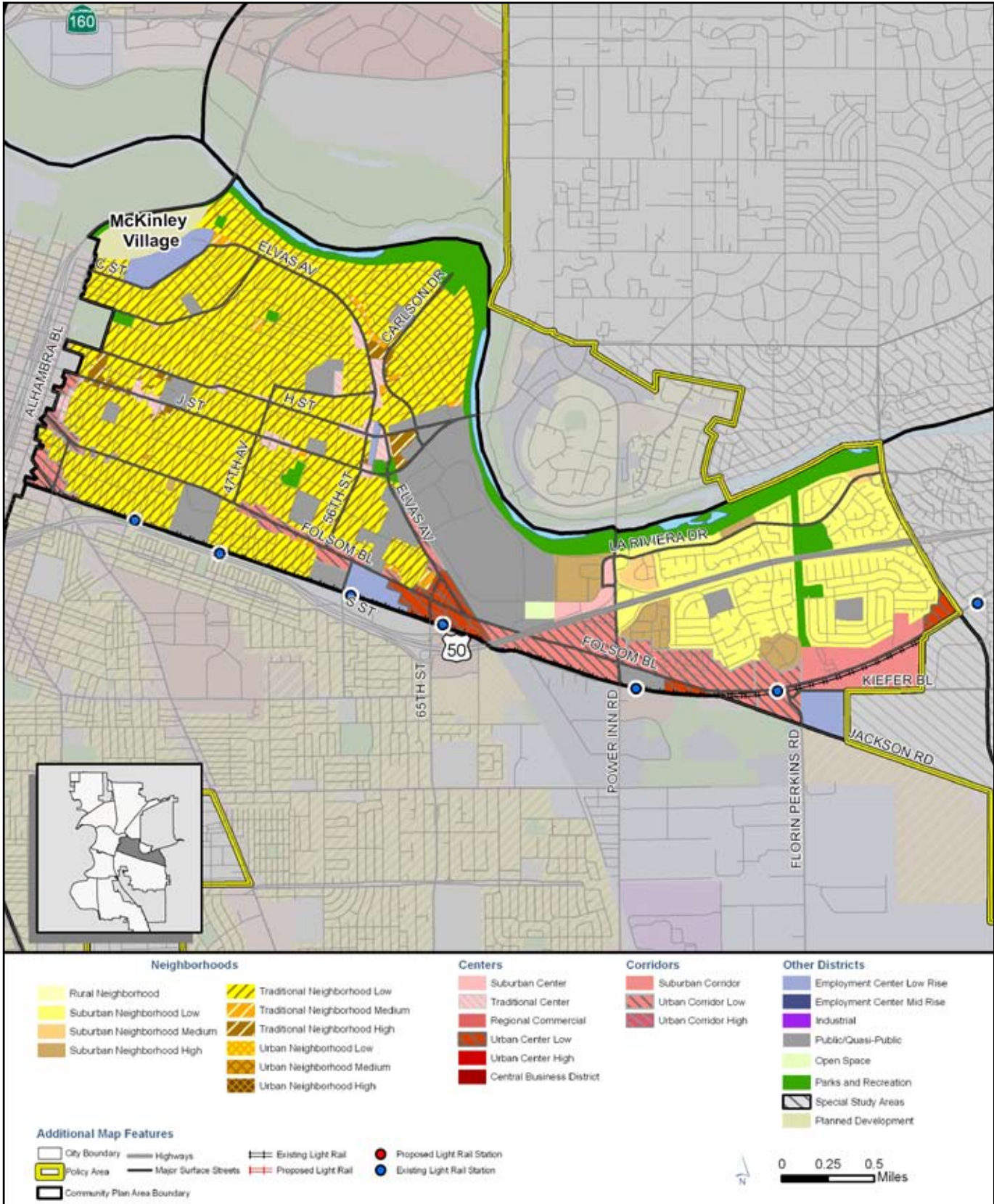


Figure ES-2
2030 General Plan Land Use & Urban Form Designations for the
East Sacramento Community Plan Area

Community Policies

Policies will be developed when a future community planning process is undertaken.

Opportunity Areas

This section includes information about opportunity areas in the East Sacramento Community Plan Area. Table ES-1 lists each opportunity area that falls completely or partially within the community plan area. Figure ES-3 shows a map of all the opportunity area locations within the Community Plan Area. Additional urban form concepts and recommendations will continue to be developed and refined for each opportunity area as needs are assessed and development focus shifts throughout the East Sacramento Community Plan Area.

Table ES-1 East Sacramento Opportunity Areas	
<i>Opportunity Area</i>	<i>Type</i>
Neighborhoods and Centers	
Cannery	Neighborhood
McKinley Village	Neighborhood
Granite Park ^a	Neighborhood
Mercy Medical Center	Center
65th Street/University Village ^a	Transit Center
Power Inn Industrial ^a	Center
Commercial Corridor Revitalization	
Folsom Boulevard	Corridor
Stockton Boulevard ^a	Corridor

SOURCE: City of Sacramento 2009

a. Partially located in Fruitridge Broadway Community Plan Area

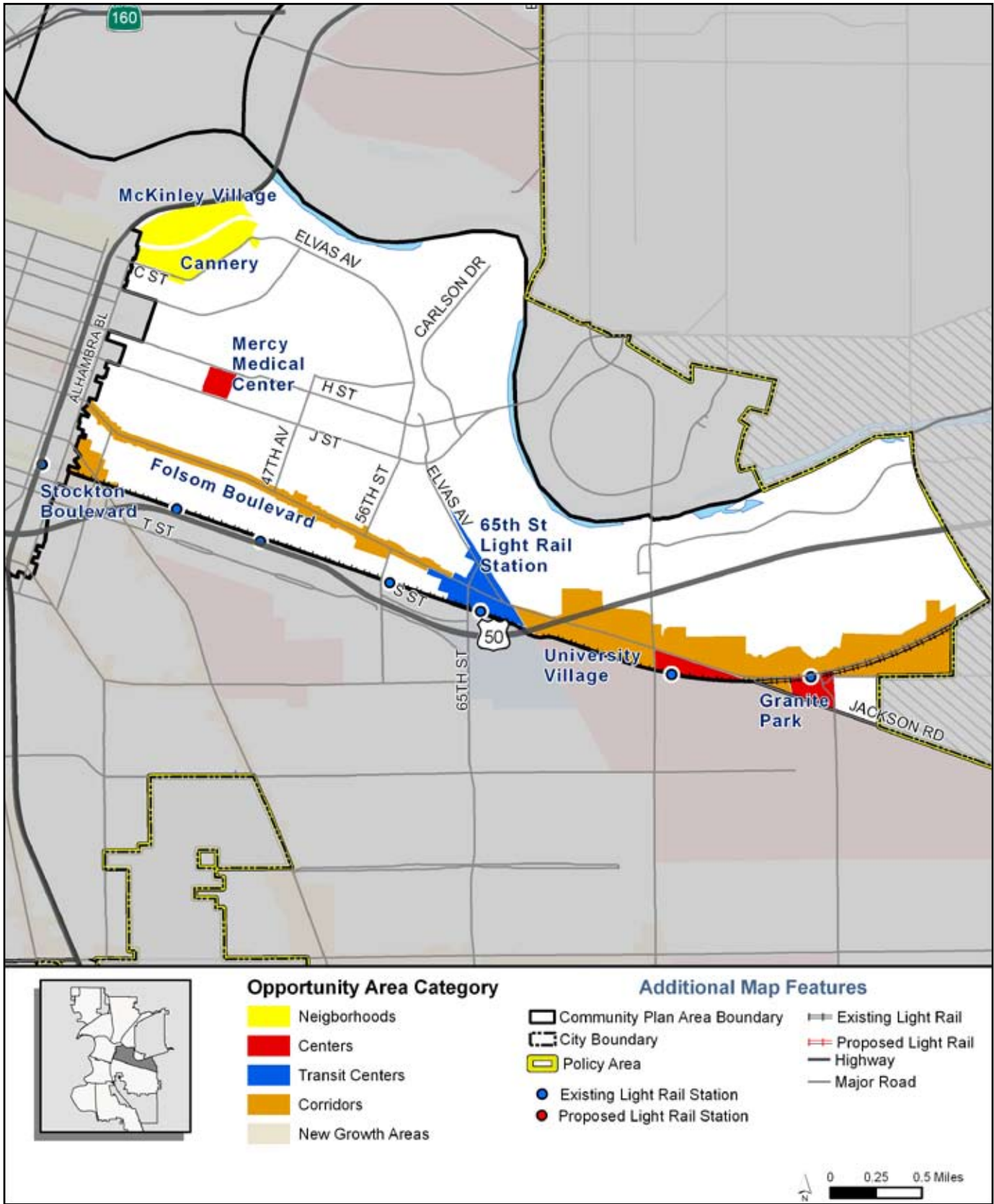


Figure ES-3
East Sacramento Opportunity Areas

Relevant Plans and Studies

The following section lists relevant plans and studies that have been prepared or adopted by local agencies and are directly pertinent to the East Sacramento Community Plan Area:

- 65th Street Transit Village Plan (2001)
- 65th Street Redevelopment Plan (2007)
- Redding Avenue Alternative Mode Improvements (2006)
- South 65th Street Area Plan (2004)
- Transit for Livable Communities
- Alhambra Corridor Plan
- Sacramento State Master Plan



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