



# Draft 2014 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy

A Presentation to the Delta Stewardship Council

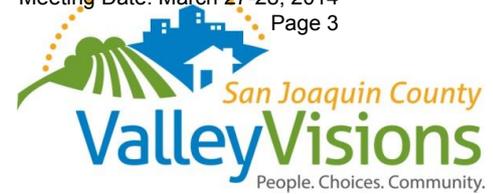
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# Presentation Overview



- Who is SJCOG
- What is the 2014 Draft RTP/SCS
- Draft 2014 RTP/SCS Relationship to Delta Plan
- Consistency With the Delta Plan
- Delta Plan Exemption Process
- Schedule and Next Steps

# Who Is SJCOG and What is our Role



- Who is SJCOG?
  - A Metropolitan Planning Organization Comprised of the County and Cities in San Joaquin County
- SJCOG's Mission Statement
  - The mission of SJCOG is to partner with local governments, the private sector, and community groups as the forum, facilitator, and administrator of regional programs, and to advocate for regional and inter-regional issues in the development of a comprehensive strategy to achieve resolutions.

# What is the RTP and SCS?



- **What is the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)?**
  - 20-year long-range transportation investment plan
- **What is a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS)?**
  - A coordinated land-use and transportation plan that demonstrates ability to achieve green house gas emissions
- **Why is SJCOG required to prepare a RTP and SCS?**
  - Federal and State requirements for coordinated transportation planning and allocation of funding
  - SB-375 (2008) requirements to prepare a SCS and meet green house gas (GHG) reduction targets (5% by 2020 and 10% by 2035)

# What Questions Will the Draft RTP and SCS Answer

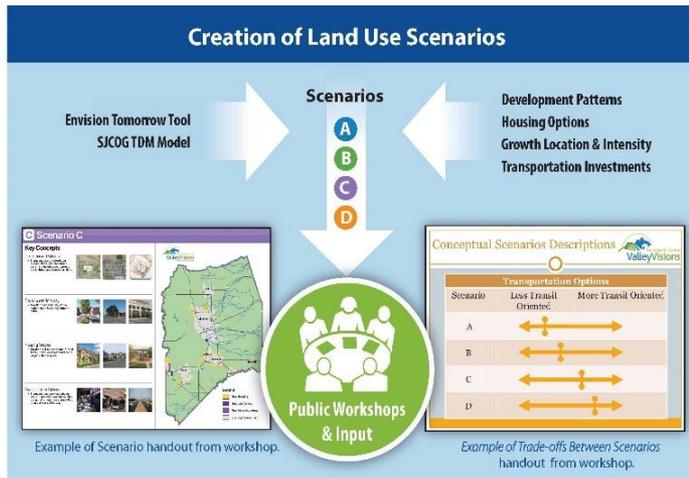


- What will the region look like?
  - Where will new development likely occur?
  - What housing options will be available?
  - What transportation options will be available?
- What are the impacts of future growth?
  - Commute times
  - Air quality
  - Farm land conversion
  - Household transportation costs



# Draft 2014 RTP/SCS Overview

## Scenario Development Process

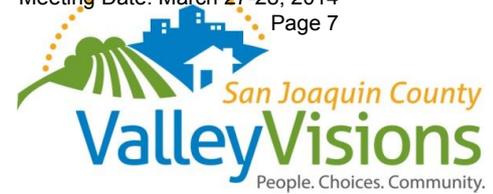


## Final Scenario Selection



- Draft 2014 RTP/SCS Based on Four Building Blocks:
  - Growth Location & Intensity
  - Development Pattern
  - Housing Choices
  - Transportation Strategies

# Relationship to Delta Plan



- **Consistency With Urban Boundaries (Delta Plan Policy DP P1)**
  - Strengthens Existing Delta Communities while Protecting Farmland and Open Space

**SJCOG's Draft 2014 RTP/SCS is anticipated to develop over 10,000 acres less prime farmland than the business as usual Scenario**

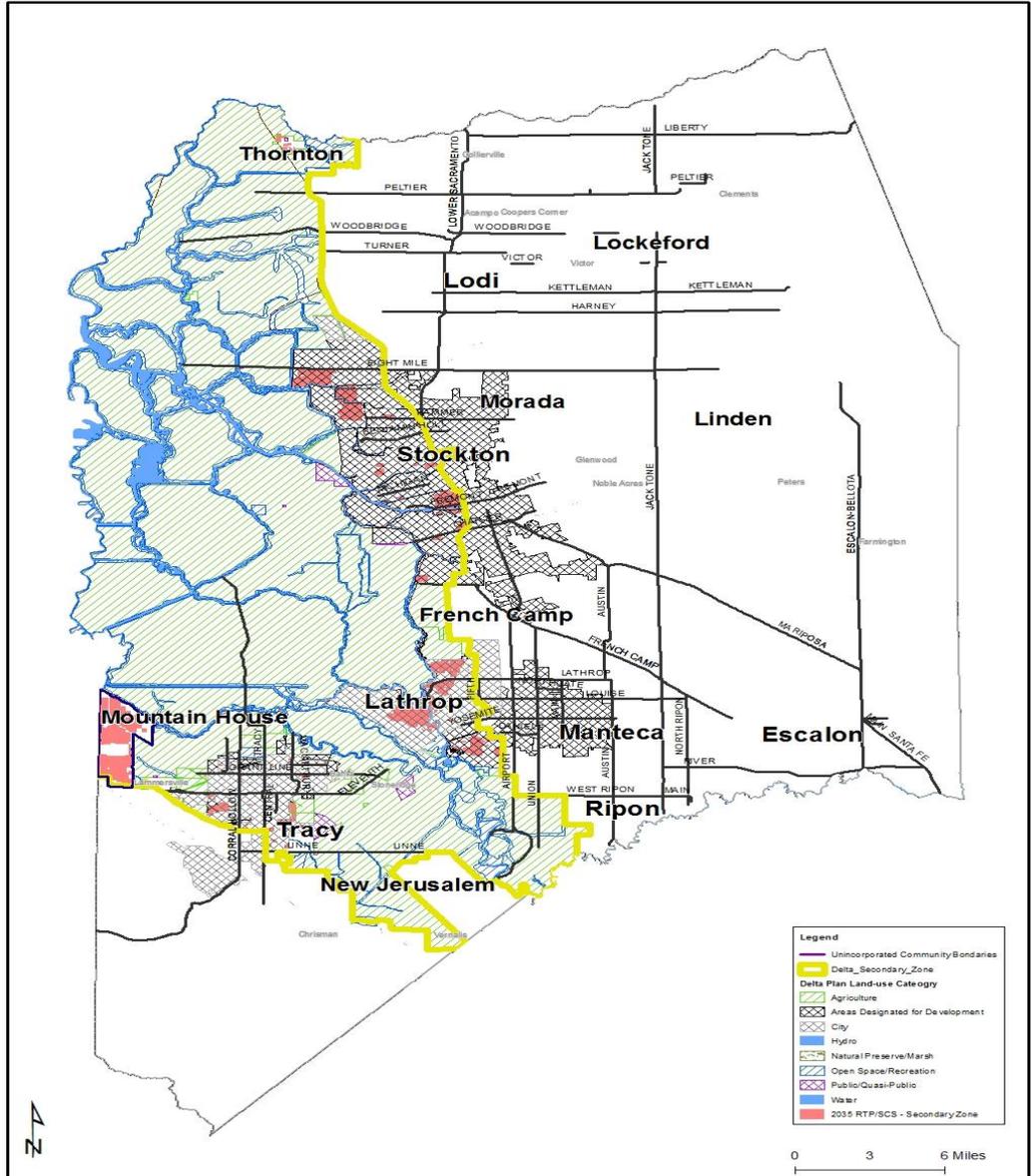
# Relationship to Delta Plan Cont...



- **Consistency with Habitat Restoration Boundaries (Delta Plan Policy ER P3)**
  - Lands Should Be Set Aside for Future Habitat Restoration Needs Including the San Joaquin Multi Species Conservation Plan
- **Consistency with Flood Risk Reduction (Delta Plan Policy RR P2 – RR P4)**
  - Require Flood Protection for Residential Development in Rural Areas
  - Protect Floodways
  - Floodplain Protection

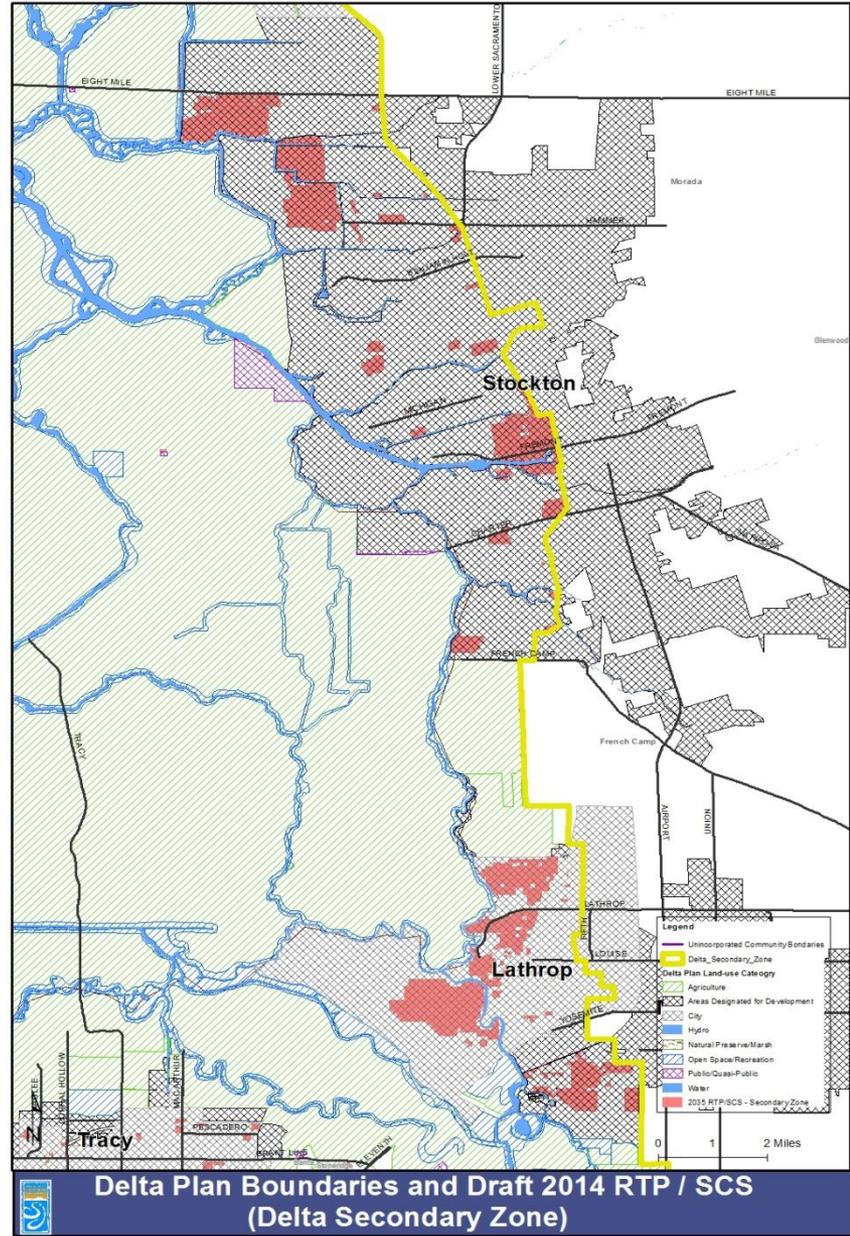
**SJCOG's Draft 2014 RTP/SCS is Anticipated to Reduce Household Water Consumption by Over 40% From Business As Usual**

# Consistency With Delta Plan



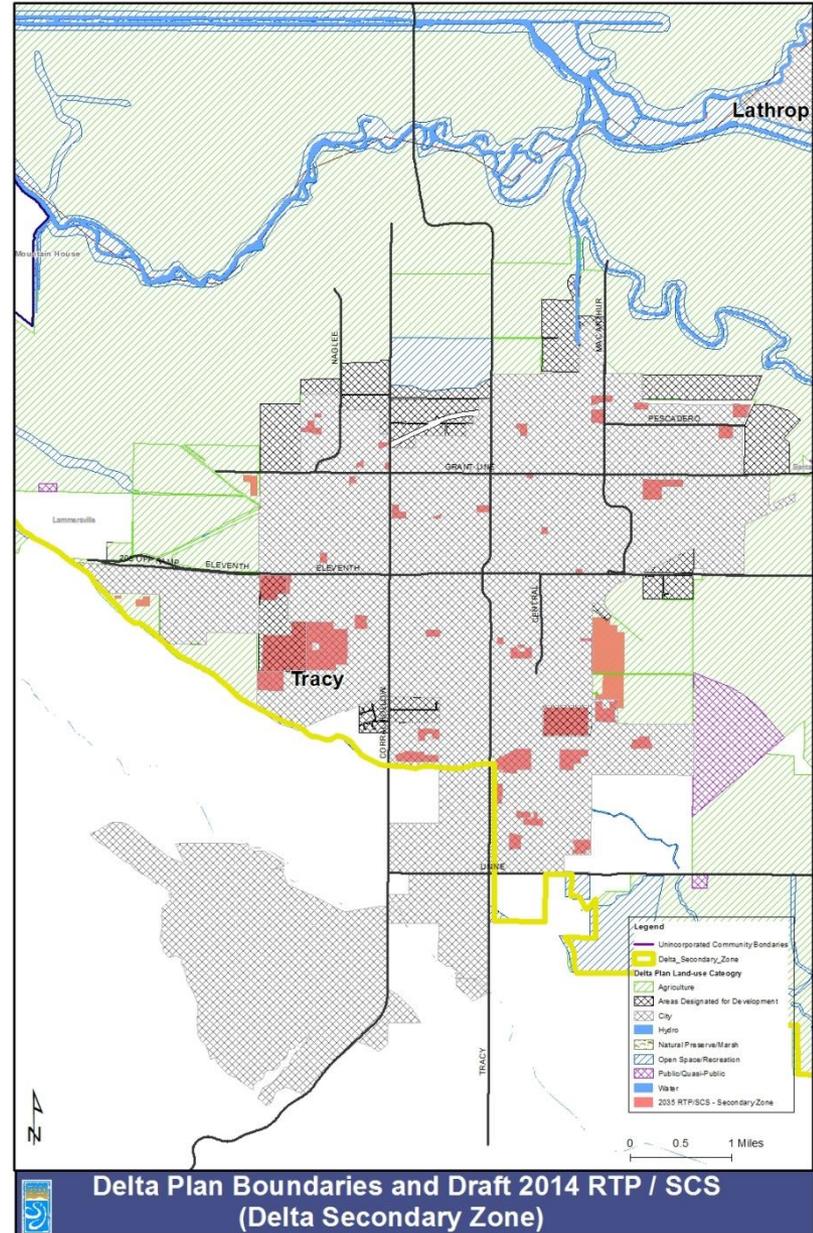
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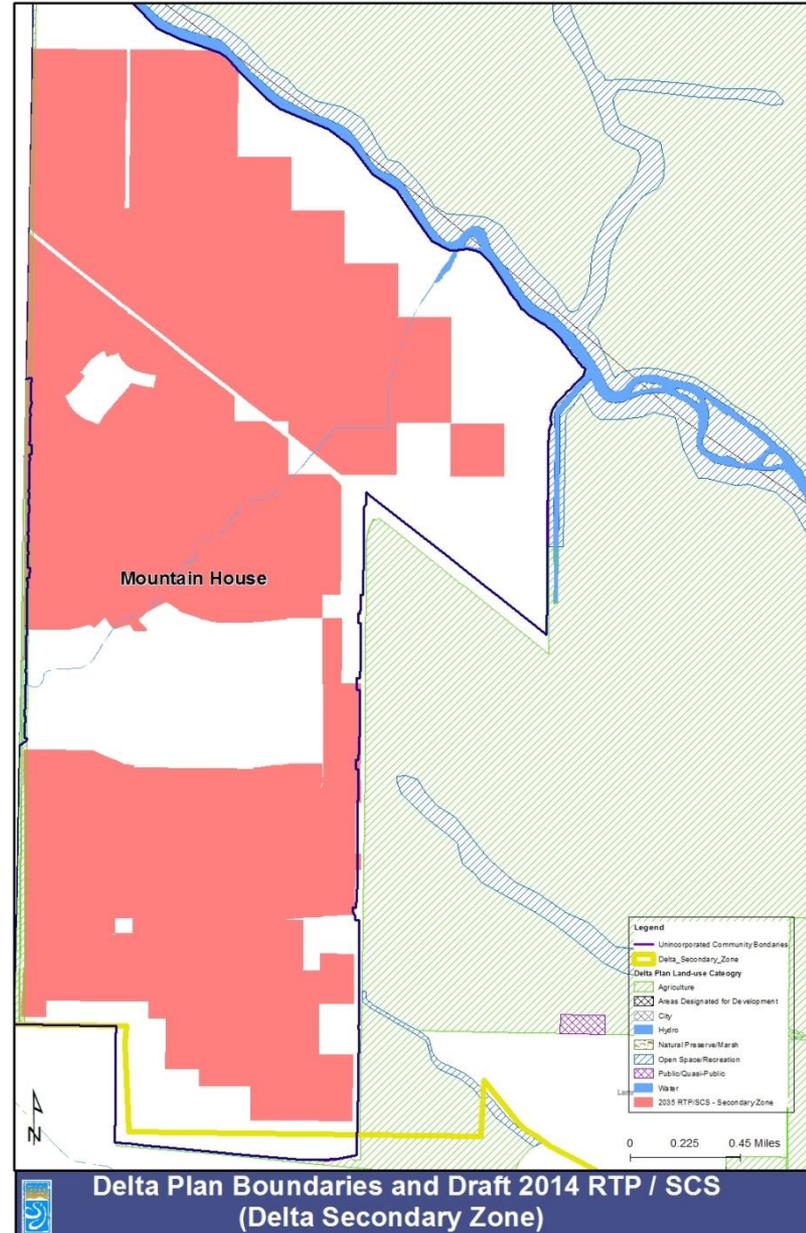
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# Exemption Process



“Covered Action” does not include any of the following:... Any plan, program, project, or activity within the secondary zone of the Delta that the applicable metropolitan planning organization under Section 65080 of the Government Code has determined **is consistent with either a Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) or an Alternative Planning Strategy (APS)** that the State Air Resources Board (ARB) has determined, if implemented, would achieve the greenhouse gas reduction targets...”

California Water Code Section 85057

# Exemption Process Cont...



- Is New To the SJCOG Process
- It Will be Essential to Have Delta Stewardship Council Staff Give Input In Process Development
  - Coordination Between the Delta Stewardship Council Staff, SJCOG Local Jurisdictions, and SJCOG is Vital
- Anticipate Implementation Will Require Continual Coordination with Delta Stewardship Council Staff

# Schedule & Next Steps



## ● Schedule

- February 27, 2014 – Draft Regional Transportation Plan Released for 55-day Comment Period
- March 10, 2014 – Draft RTP Environmental Impact Report Released for 45-day Comment Period
- March 27<sup>th</sup> & April 10<sup>th</sup> 2014 – Public workshops & Hearings on Draft RTP
- June 2014 – SJCOG Board Considers Adoption of 2014 RTP

## ● Next Steps

- Continued Coordination with Delta Stewardship Council
- Development of Exemption Process in Coordination with SJCOG Local Jurisdictions and Delta Stewardship Council Staff

# Questions



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