



The Goleta Community Plan Update

Selecting a Provisional Planning Area Boundary and a Rezone and General Plan Amendment Application Procedure for the Update of the Goleta Community Plan

March 18, 2008



Staff Recommendation

- Adopt by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors (Attachment A) to:
 - Adopt the recommended provisional planning area for the update of the Goleta Community Plan (Plan), which defines two planning zones within the Goleta Planning Area. (Exhibit A)
 - Adopt the proposed procedure to restrict rezone and/or general plan amendment applications in the unincorporated 2nd Supervisorial District portion of the recommended provisional planning area while the Plan is prepared.
 - Accept the CEQA Exemption (Attachment D) and Findings (Attachment E) for this Resolution.

Planning Commission Recommendation



- On Feb. 6, 2008, the Planning Commission voted 3-2 to recommend the Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution (Attachment A) to:
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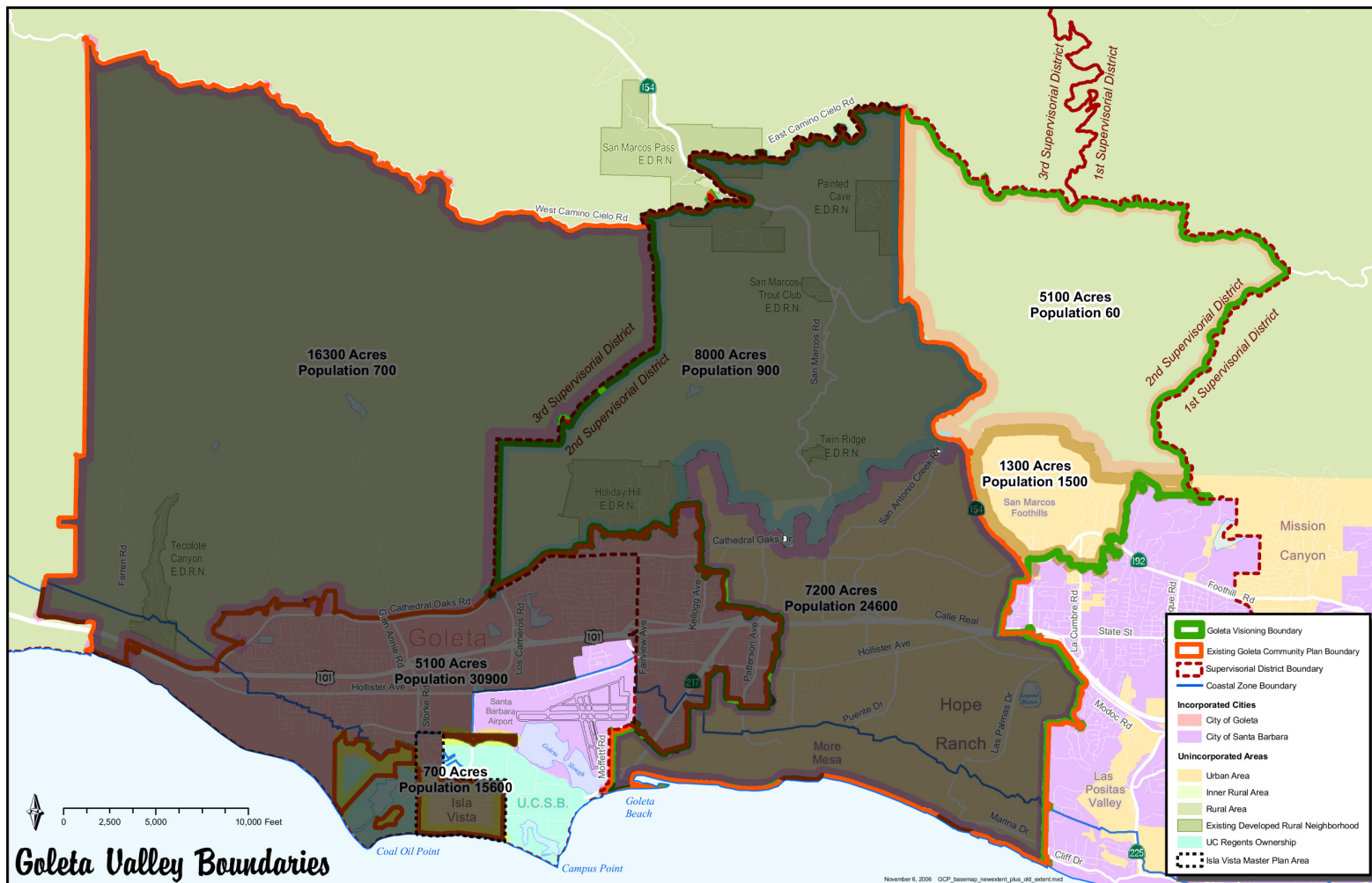


Background Summary

- ❑ Pre-Goleta Community Plan, policies for the Goleta Valley were implemented as a chapter of the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Element.
- ❑ In 1993, the Goleta Community Plan was adopted with specific policies, standards, and goals for the Goleta Community Planning Area (GCP Area) after an extensive community planning process.
- ❑ Since 1993, jurisdictional changes have significantly modified the GCP Area.

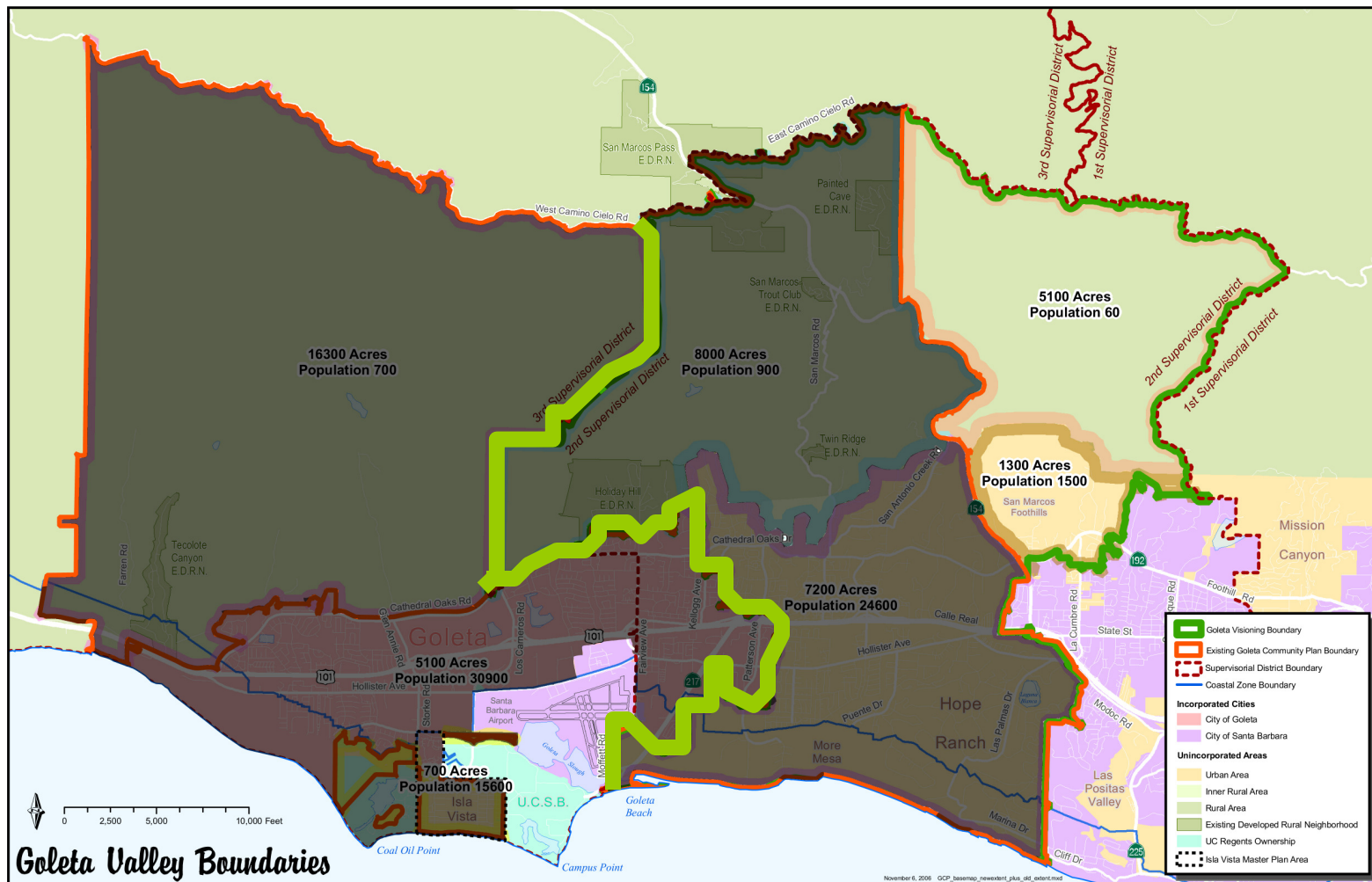
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1993 – Goleta Community Planning Area



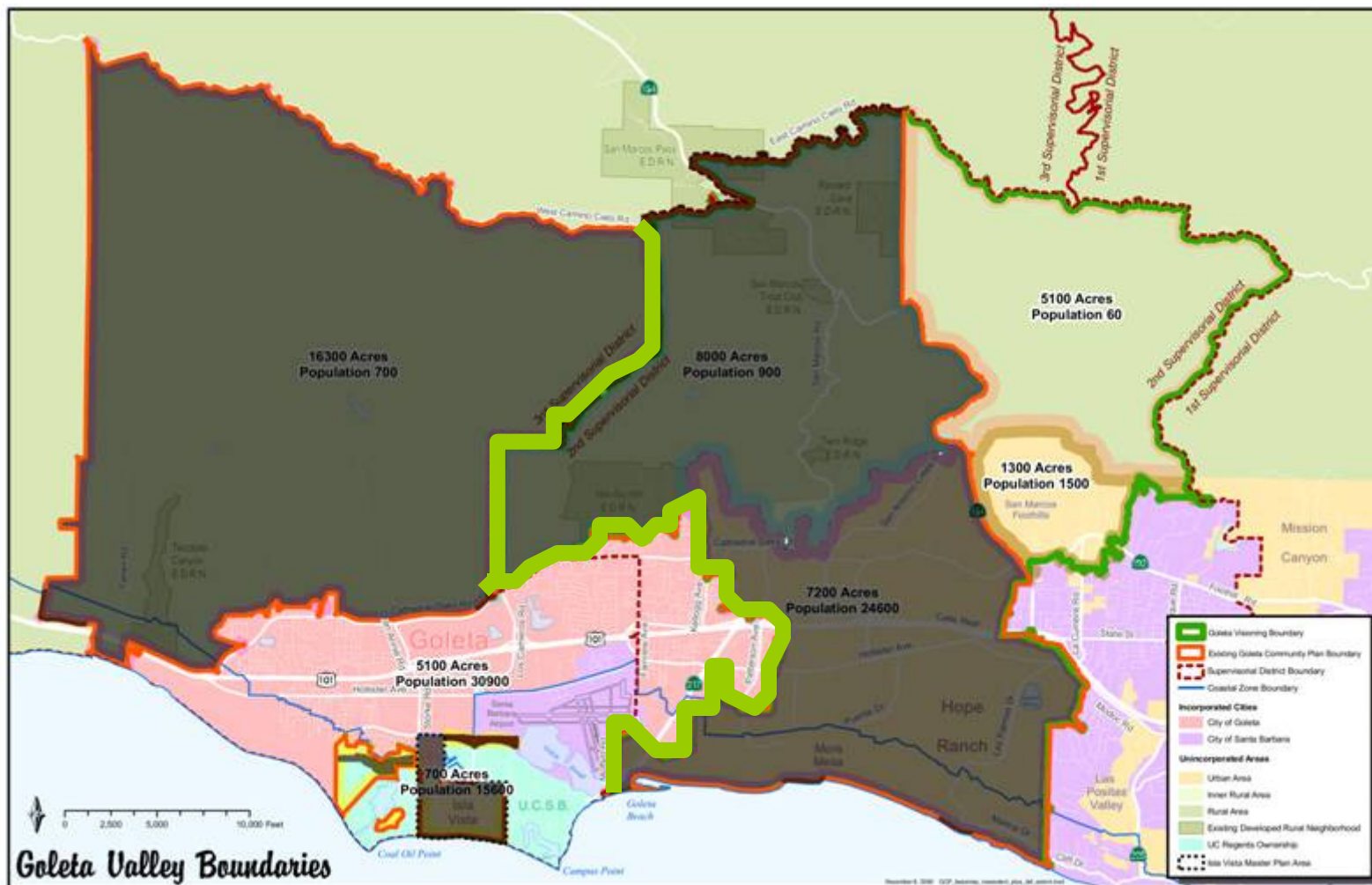
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2001 – 2nd/3rd Supervisorial Districting



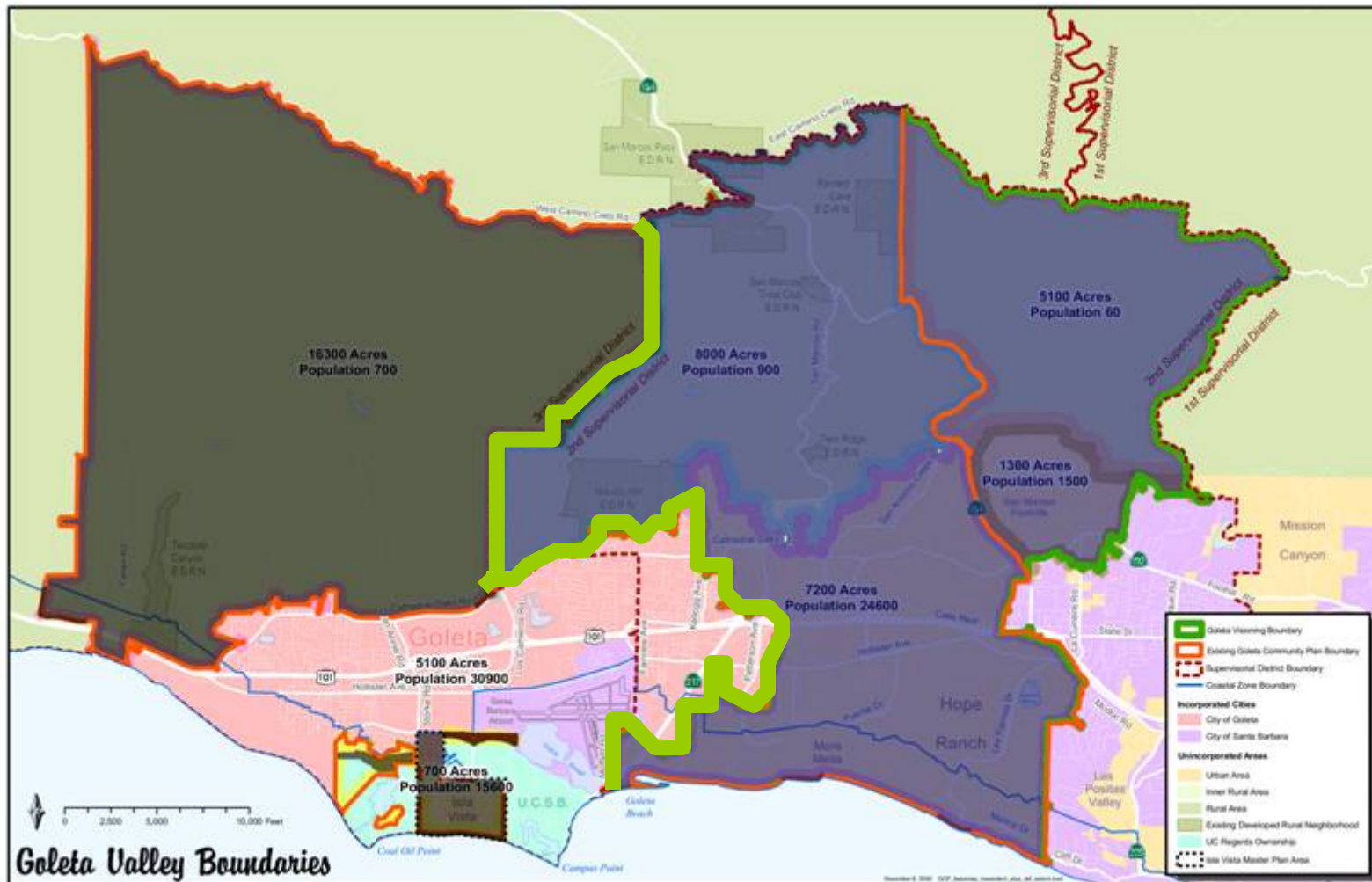
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2002 – City of Goleta Incorporates



Background Summary

2006 – GVC Visioning in Eastern Goleta Valley



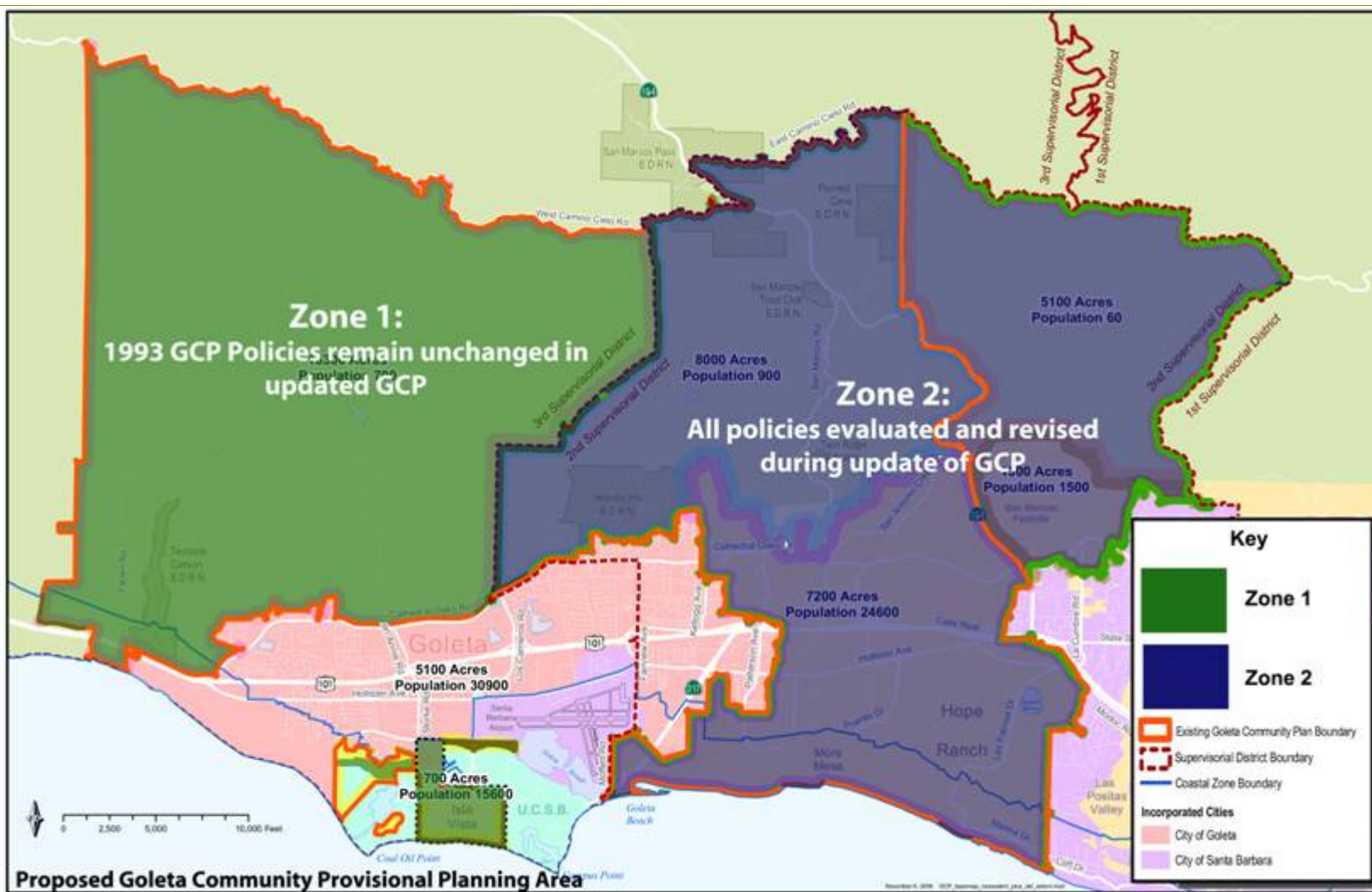


Goleta Planning Objectives

- ❑ Establish a logical boundary based on natural forms, watersheds, viewsheds, service districts, transportation networks, and community identity;
- ❑ Avoid the repeal, or migration to the Comprehensive Plan, of the 214 existing policies, or any land use designations and overlays, of the 1993 GCP in Zone 1;
- ❑ Include the San Marcos Foothills and their northern rural areas, as this area was identified and included in the GVC 20/20 vision document, and is part of the 2nd Supervisorial District.



Recommended Planning Area





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- ❑ Retains the 1993 GCP Area without the City of Goleta;
- ❑ Retains existing policies, designations, and overlays in Zone 1 of the GCP Area;
- ❑ Reviews and updates policies, designations, and overlays in Zone 2 to reflect the GVC 20/20 vision document;
- ❑ Combines planning for two zones into the updated Community Plan for the entire GCP Area;
- ❑ No changes would be considered to existing GCP policy in the Isla Vista Planning Area;
- ❑ Applications to serve as members of the GPAC would be limited to residents, property owners, and/or business owners in Zone 2.

General Plan Amendment and/or Rezone Procedure



- ❑ Historically, the Planning & Development Department has suspended the processing of rezone and/or general plan amendment applications within a planning area while a community plan is prepared.
- ❑ Exceptions have been made if the Planning Commission determines a project to be a public benefit.
- ❑ Rezones that are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan could be considered by the Planning Commission.

General Plan Amendment and/or Rezone Procedure



- ❑ This procedural policy to suspend rezone and general plan amendments would apply only to Zone 2 applications.
- ❑ Exceptions:
 - Cases currently being considered by the County:
 - ❑ The pending More Mesa Biological Resource Study (Case# 07CNS-00000-00116), which may result in a rezone and/or general plan amendment.
 - ❑ The Cavaletto/Noel Housing Project (Case #01GPA-00000-00009)
 - Cases where the Planning Commission can find the project to be a public benefit.



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End of Presentation

