Joint Meeting of the:

Mortgage Finance
Authority Act
Oversight
Committee
&
Economic & Rural
Development
Committee

"What's needed to support sustained economic activity along the New Mexico border with Mexico?"

Sunland Park, New Mexico September 15. 2017

DEVELOPMENT IS ANCHORED IN REGIONAL PLANNING

- Regional Planning Initiative
- 2011 2016 (on-going)
- \$2.0M HUD grant + in-kind contribution
- Sponsored by Camino Real Consortium



12 local organizations & governmental entities

DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE HOLISTIC

Livability Principles

- Support Existing Communities
- Preserve Our Heritage
- Provide More Transportation
 Choice
- Promote Affordable Communities
- Enhance Economic Opportunity
- Coordinate Policies and Investments

Planning Guides

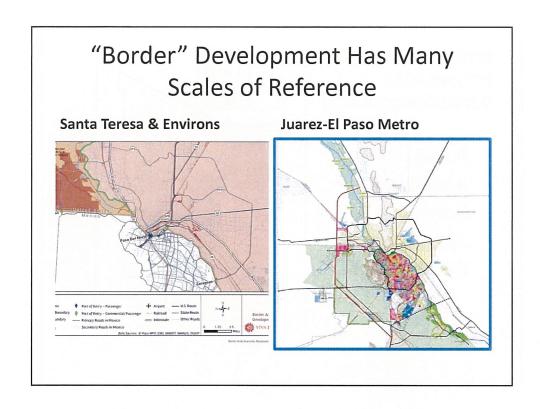
- · Comprehensive Plan
- El Camino Real Corridor Enhancement Plan
- Border Area Economic Development Strategy
- Colonia Master Plan
- Fair Housing Study
- Regional Capital Needs Plan
- Unified Development Code

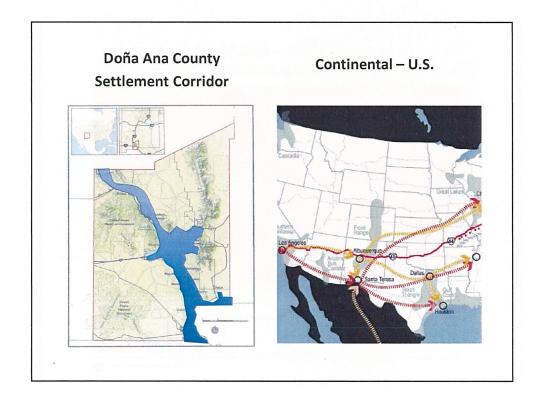
The Comprehensive Plan

- Strengthens existing communities.
- Emphasizes consideration of storm water management, infrastructure maintenance and expansion, protection of agricultural lands, and transportation choices.
- Provides features that promote economic development, community health, and education.

Approved by County Commission in August 2015

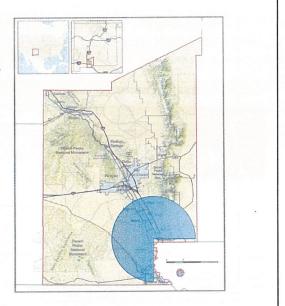


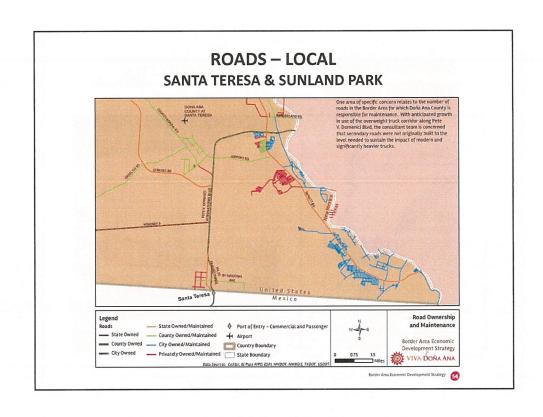




DOÑA ANA COUNTY BORDER AREA DEVELOPMENT NEEDS

- Roads
- Affordable Housing
- Colonia
 Development





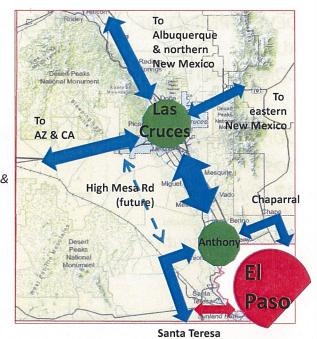
MAJOR TRANSPORTATION CORRIDORS – SOUTHERN DOÑA ANA COUNTY

The System must connect:

- Santa Teresa to NM
- Santa Teresa to El Paso & Juarez

The System must have capacity to handle higher volumes of:

- Rail
- Truck
- POVs



DOÑA ANA COUNTY: Affordable Housing

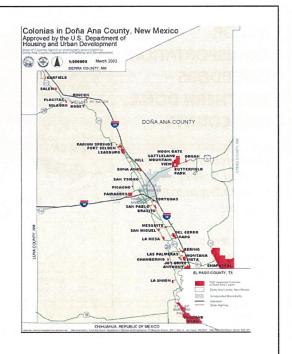
The County has an Affordable Housing Plan and "Affordable Housing Ordinance" in place

| Type of Housing | Target Income | Income Level | Est. Need |
|--|--|------------------------|--|
| Home Ownership | 5080% AMI; with sweat equity down to 30% AMI | \$28,320 — \$37,760 | 600 units |
| Rental Housing | 30—80% AMI | \$14,160 - \$28,320 | 1,100 units |
| Rental Housing | 30% AMI and below | <\$14,160 | 900 unit |
| Seniors & People w/Disabilities / Independent Living | 60% AMI and below | <\$28,320 | 360 individuals |
| Housing Rehabilitation | 60% AMI and below | <\$28,320 | 5,000 homes + 2,700 rental units |
| Transitional Housing | 60% AMI and below | <\$28,320 | 1,200 beds |
| Permanent Supportive Housing | 30% AMI and below | <\$14,160 | 400 units |

DEVELOPMENT OF RURAL COMMUNITIES

Doña Ana County has 37 Colonias

17 (46%) are south of Las Cruces



WHAT IS A COLONIA?

Rural settlements along the US-Mexico border that lack adequate infrastructure & other basic services:

- o Potable water supply
- Wastewater system
- Safe & sanitary housing
- Paved roads w gutters
- Storm water drainage & protection

CRITICAL COLONIA **NEEDS:**

Road Improvements

County Maintained

\$81M

Flood Control

Countywide

*Repair & Upgrade **New Structures**

\$216M

County

conditions)

\$133M

Responsibility

Public Facilities

\$113M

Wastewater System

\$ 34M

* Flood Control – Repair & Upgrade (\$216M plus or minus \$24M based on

 Planning, Design, & Construction Supervision (5%)

\$ 29M

TOTAL:

\$606M

\$30M/year X 20 years

OTHER **ESSENTIAL** INVESTMENT **NEEDS**

May require County support:

Affordable Housing

Public Transit

Storm Water Drainage

Broadband Service

Not included in the estimated cost of county infrastructure needed in colonias

Involves entities other than the County:

- Domestic Water Supply
- Wastewater Treatment
- Roads (Private)

Estimated cost to improve private roads in colonias is \$84M

ICIP

2019-2023 ICIP lists 29 projects that address critical infrastructure needs in border colonias (south of Las Cruces)

- \$9M 2019 request
- \$19.8M total projects cost

Facilities & Parks: \$3.3M

\$3.5M total needed

Wastewater: \$1.8M

\$11.8M total needed

Roads: \$3.9M

\$4.5 M total needed

WHAT TO DO?

Ensure that tax policy and public programs acknowledge and support robust development of rural communities

- Develop <u>comprehensive</u>, <u>long-</u> term strategy equal to need
- Secure <u>buy-in and significant</u> <u>increase in financial support</u> at all levels of government
- Make sustained yearly progress
- Expand <u>capacity to develop and</u> execute <u>projects</u>
- <u>Engage</u> residents, the private sector, and non-profits