



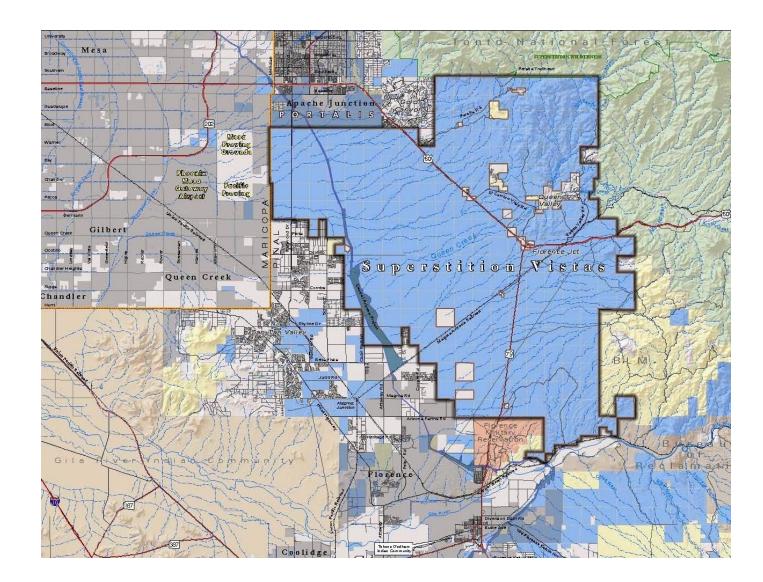
Superstition Vistas Comprehensive Plan Amendment PZ-PA-006-11

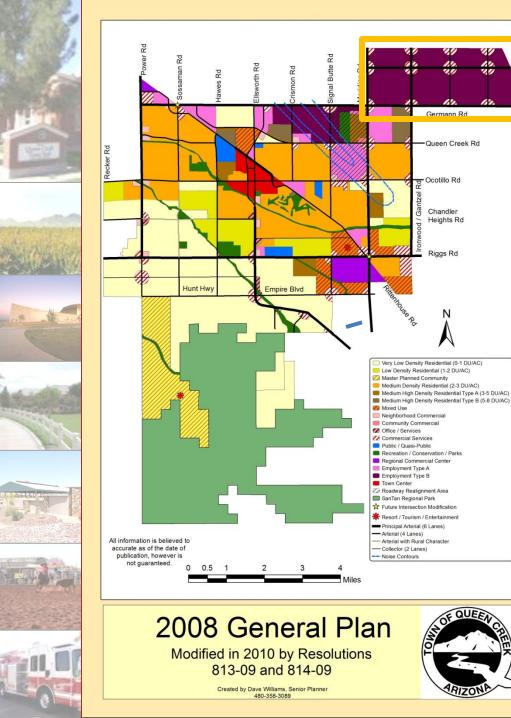
Town Council Meeting August 17, 2011





Regional Context





Superstition Vistas Area in the Queen Creek General Plan





Superstition Vistas History

- Arizona State Trust Lands received in 1912 with statehood
- Approximately 9.5 million acres 13% of all land in Arizona
- Held in trust for 14 beneficiaries
- Land available for lease or sale for the "highest and best use" for revenue generation
- Sale or lease of properties for urban uses is expected to increase



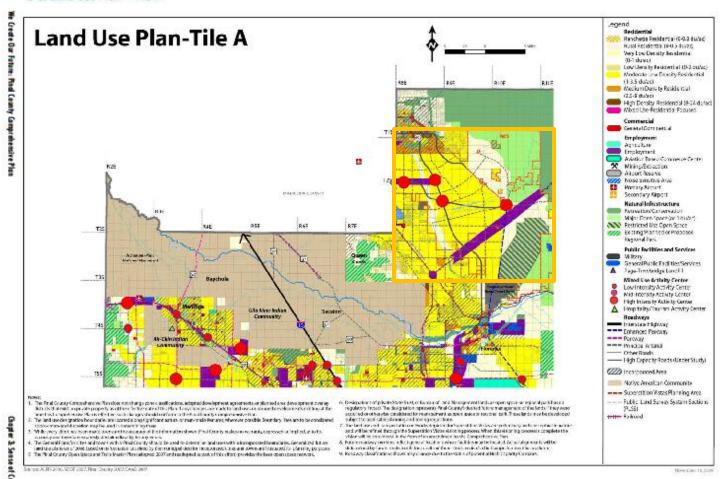
Superstition Vistas History

- Growth in Pinal County has created growing interest in sale of State land
- Development potential of 275 square mile State parcel recognized
- 2003 East Valley Partnership takes lead in initiating a planning effort for the property – now Superstition Vistas
- Town one of the project sponsors



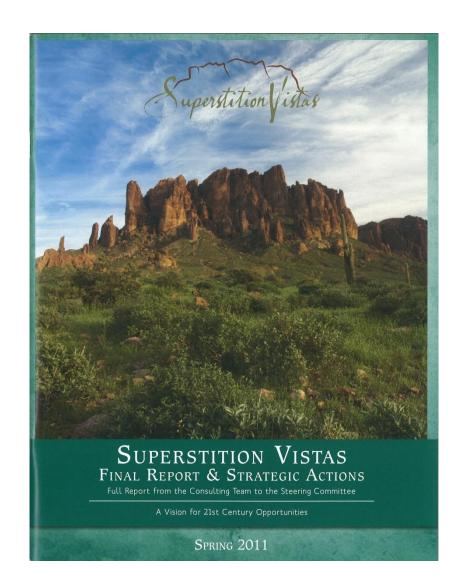
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Superstition Vistas Final Report



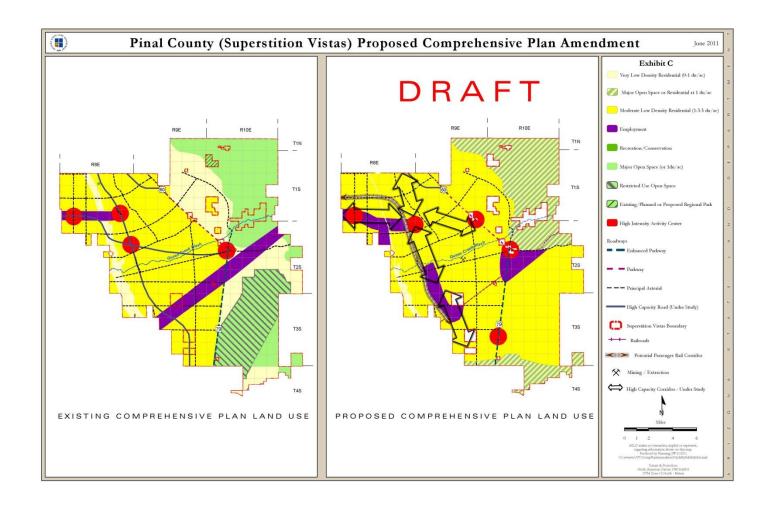


Superstition Vistas History

- Initial planning done for the property in 2006
- Final Superstition Vistas Report released in Spring 2011
- State initiates proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment in June 2011
- Town asked to provide comments
- Public hearings scheduled from September to November
- Board of Supervisors action scheduled for December



Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment





Staff Evaluation

- Change is not a major shift away from the current Comprehensive Plan
- Proposed change incorporates the alignments currently being discussed for the SR24 and the North/South corridor
 - N/S on east side of the CAP Canal
 - Large corridor locations
- Proposed plan includes extension of Germann, Ocotillo and Riggs roads east to the new transportation corridors



Staff Evaluation

- Proposed change is generally consistent with the Town's General Plan
 - Freeway alignment is shifted to the south
 - Employment area adjacent to the freeway alignment is not as large
 - Shows single family residential adjacent to employment – might want to suggest higher density in the future
 - Additional employment west of the CAP Canal for a proposed "solar farm" lease

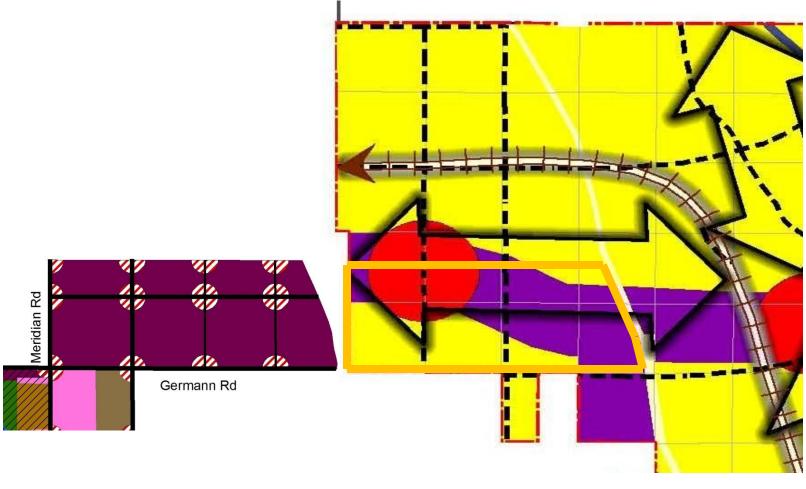


Town and Proposal Overlay





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Staff Recommendation

- Town support approval of the request
- Mayor Barney submit a letter in support of the proposed change
- Town to modify our General Plan to match the proposed change, if approved by the Board of Supervisors





Thank You

Questions?





Comprehensive Land Use Plan

