



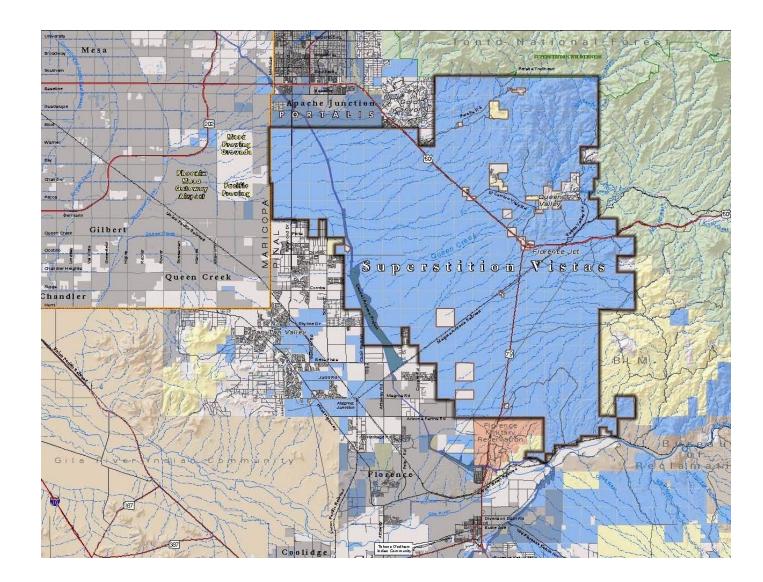
Superstition Vistas Comprehensive Plan Amendment PZ-PA-006-11

Town Council Meeting September 7, 2011





Regional Context





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 was one of the project sponsors

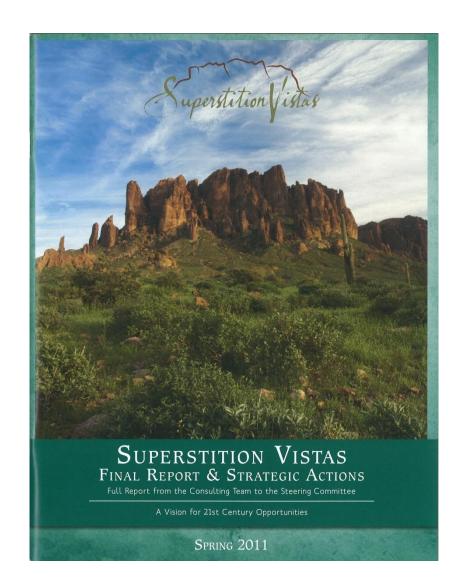


Superstition Vistas History

- 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



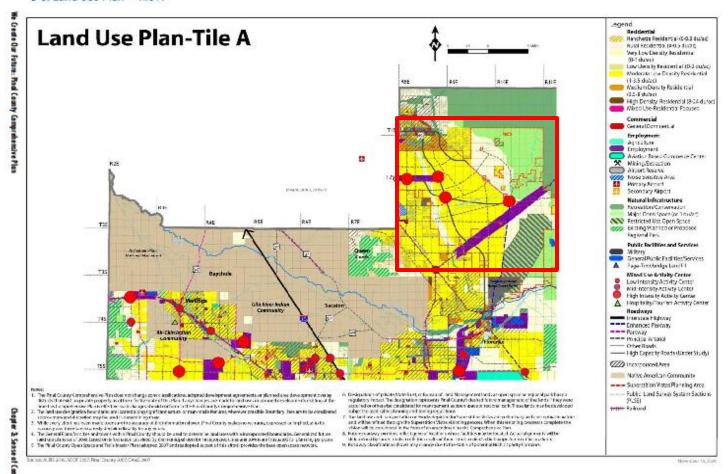
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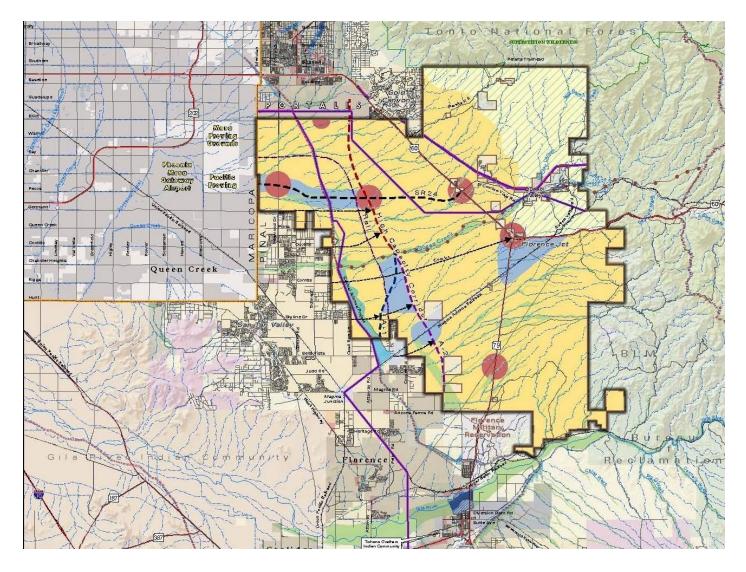
Pinal County Comprehensive Land Use Plan

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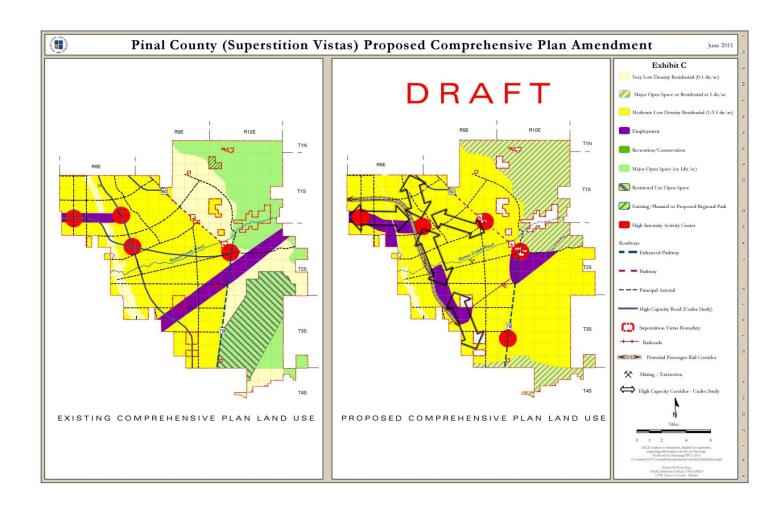


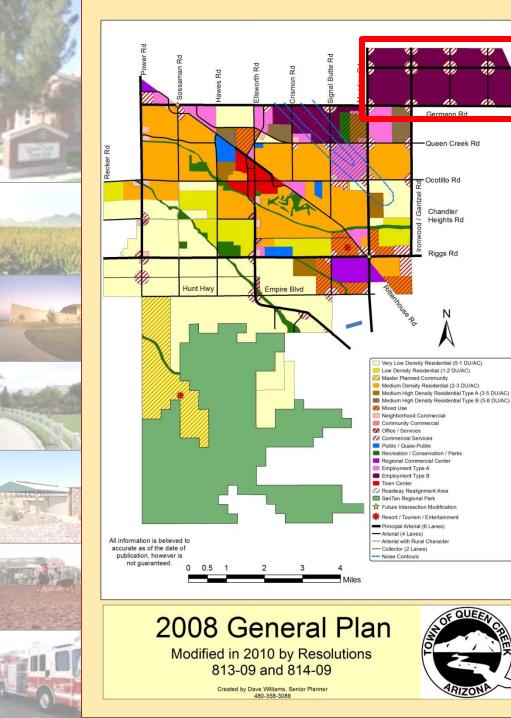
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Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment



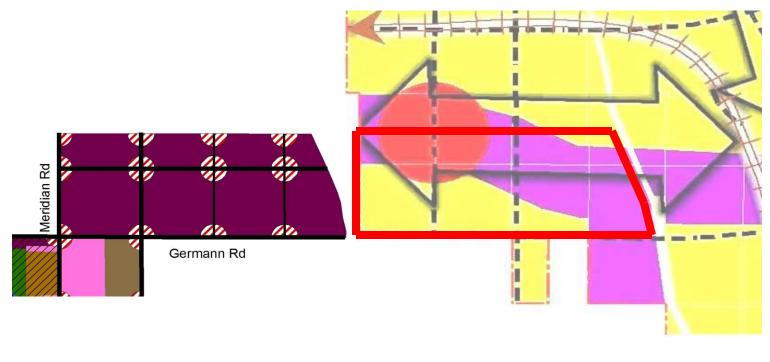


Superstition Vistas Area in the Queen Creek General Plan



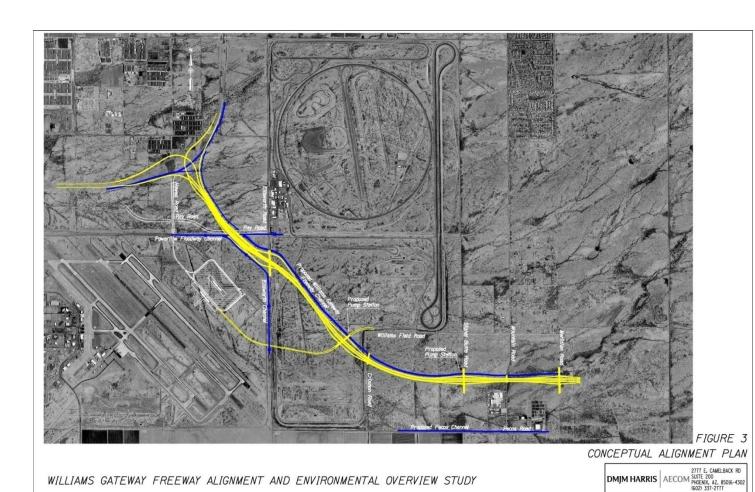


Town and Proposal Overlay





SR 24 Alignment West of Meridian Road



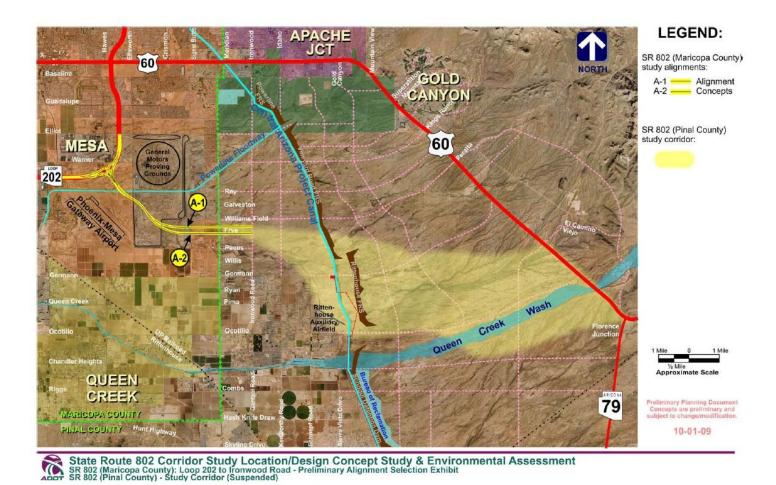


2008 Possible Alignments for SR 24





Current Concept for SR 24





Town's General Plan and Superstition Vistas

Superstition Vistas (State Owned)

- This area is located in the northeastern portion of the Queen Creek Planning Area within the Williams Gateway Primary Trade Area and encompasses lands north of Germann Road and east of Meridian Road.
- The Superstition Vistas Growth Area encompasses approximately 4,442 acres of land currently owned by the Arizona State Land Department.
- The State Land Department is currently working on developing conceptual plans for this area.
- It is anticipated that the area will be developed with a strong employment focus.
- General Plan Page 54



Staff Evaluation

- Proposed amendment will impact the Town's General Plan
- Major changes include:
 - Property has been proposed for Moderate
 Density Residential (1-3.5 du/ac) in areas our
 Plan shows as Employment
 - The proposed alignment for SR 24 is different than shown on our Plan
 - The proposed Employment uses have been clustered at more specific locations that align with the suggested freeway alignment



Staff Evaluation

- Hope the Town can have a role in future discussions with the State and prospective users for the land in the Town's Planning Area
- Town has been involved in the Superstition Vistas project since its inception and supports the need for a viable plan for the future use of the property
- The State's plan should reflect, wherever possible, the planning done by the local communities that will be affected by the final use of the property



Options

- 1. Council briefing only, no further action taken
- 2. Submit a letter with the Town's comments (draft at your seats)
- 3. Revise the draft letter to include additional thoughts and/or comments



Next Steps

- September 14– Citizen Advisory Committee meeting
- September 15 Planning and Zoning Commission public meeting
- October 12 & 19 Board of Supervisors meetings to review and consider the change
- November 17 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting (if changes were made by the Board of Supervisors)
- December 14 & 21 Board of Supervisors meeting to review and consider revised plan (if needed)





Thank You

Questions?

