

These three plans are intended to work in concert to help reduce traffic congestion and pollutant levels throughout the greater Los Angeles basin.

The General Plan includes relevant policies and programs that reflect and respond to SCAG's and SCAQMD's regional goals. In particular, policies in the Land Use and Housing Elements address regional jobs/housing balance objectives, the Circulation Element contains programs aimed at reducing traffic congestion, the Housing Element discusses Cypress' role in providing affordable housing, the Growth Management Element addresses the need to balance growth with infrastructure capacities, and the Air Quality Element outlines the City's efforts to participate in programs aimed at improving regional air quality.

**RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER GENERAL PLAN ELEMENTS**

The Cypress General Plan contains eight elements. Each element examines a specific issue area, such as land use, circulation, safety, or noise. Despite the subject division, each element's content may partially overlap with another element's content. The relationship between the Land Use and Housing, Circulation, Open Space/Conservation/Recreation, Noise, Air Quality, Safety, and Growth Management Elements is described below.

The Cypress Land Use Element sets forth standards that specify levels of residential, commercial, and industrial development intensities. By defining the extent and density of future residential development in Cypress, the Land Use and Housing Elements jointly work to meet the community's share of regional housing needs.

The Land Use Element is coordinated with the Circulation Element and the Conservation/Open Space/Recreation (COSR) Element. As population increases gradually over time, additional services and facilities are needed to accommodate the new growth. Improvements to the City's transportation network and recreation facilities are examples of some of the improvements that will need to occur. Cypress' Circulation and COSR Elements outline needs, opportunities, and deficiencies which correspond to the development permitted within the Land Use Element.

Policies and implementation measures contained in the Land Use Element are also partially derived from safety and health concerns delineated in the COSR, Noise, Air Quality, and Safety Elements. For example, the COSR and Safety Elements identify areas that should remain undeveloped because of flooding, geologic instability, and other safety concerns. Areas subject to flooding in the City, as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, are mapped in the Safety Element. Right-of-ways are established in the Land Use Element to create safety zones to protect the public's safety and welfare. Similarly, sensitive receptors (hospitals, schools) are identified in the Noise and Air Quality Elements because they are the most affected by noise and air pollution conditions. The Land Use Element utilizes this information to generally locate sensitive receptors away from primary noise and air pollution contributors.

In addition, growth patterns established in the Growth Management Element provide input for the Land Use Element in guiding Cypress' future development. Combined, all of these issues influence development in the community, as the Land Use Element utilizes information presented in other elements to position land uses a safe distance from hazards and to provide sufficient services for new development.

**RELATIONSHIP OF EXISTING PLANS AND PROGRAMS TO CITYWIDE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS**