



Transportation section of the General Plan Circulation Element.

Scenic Highways

Scenic Highways are a unique component of the circulation system, as they contain distinctive natural characteristics that are not typical of other areas in the County. The intent of these policies is to conserve significant scenic resources along scenic highways for future generations and to manage development along scenic highways and corridors so that it will not detract from the area's natural characteristics.

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The purpose of the California Scenic Highways program, which was established in 1963, is to "Preserve and protect scenic highway corridors from change which would diminish the aesthetic value of lands adjacent to highways."

As shown on Figure 8, Scenic Highways, there is one County Eligible and one State Eligible Scenic Highway in the planning area. State Route 74 from the Orange County border to the western edge of the San Bernardino National Forest has been designated as an Eligible State Scenic Highway. State Route 74 passes through Homeland, Romoland, and Green Acres. State Route 74 continues east out of the Harvest Valley/Winchester planning area to the Palms to Pines Highway, an official State Scenic Highway. Meniffee Road is a County Eligible Scenic Highway that runs from State Route 74 south out of the planning area eventually connecting with Interstate 215. From these two roadways, views of the Lakeview and Dawson Mountains, Salt Creek, and Double Butte are provided.

Policies:



HVWAP 11.1 Protect the scenic highways in the Harvest Valley/Winchester planning area from change that would diminish the aesthetic value of adjacent properties in accordance with the Scenic Corridors sections of the General Plan Land Use, Multipurpose Open Space, and Circulation Elements.

Transit Oasis



Investment in and expansion of the existing freeway and arterial street networks continue to be a critical part of our comprehensive transportation system development.



- RCIP Vision

The Transit Oasis is a concept to improve transportation options in Riverside County by providing an integrated system of local serving, rubber-tired transit that is linked with a regional transportation system, such as MetroLink or express buses. In the Transit Oasis concept, rubber-tired transit vehicles operate on a single prioritized or dedicated lane in a one-way, continuous loop. The Transit Oasis is designed to fit into community centers, which provide the types of densities and concentrated development patterns that can allow this concept to become a reality.

In the Harvest Valley/Winchester planning area, the Transit Oasis concept may be accommodated in the Winchester and Domenigoni Community Centers. The Transit Oasis would provide local serving transit to the residents and business in and adjacent to the community centers as well as convenient access to regional circulation systems. Due to their strategic location, in the systems Winchester and Domenigoni Community Centers can also connect with systems that may be provided within the Hemet to Corona/Lake Elsinore and Banning/Beaumont to Temecula CETAP Corridors.