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San Juan County seeks input for growth management plan update

San Juan County, NM – When San Juan County last updated their comprehensive plan the area was in the middle of an oil and natural gas boom with a projected continued population growth and related development. That was 2007.

A lot has changed in the past 11 years and our plan needs to reflect the change our county has experienced.

San Juan County has contracted with Architectural Research Consultants, Incorporated (ARC) to update the county's Growth Management Plan. The plan, first drafted in 2007 and amended in 2012, provides comprehensive guidance to county administrators and the general public, documenting existing conditions and outlining the community's vision for future development in San Juan County.

San Juan County has established a steering committee to represent the public's interests and guide the plan update. The planning team will conduct a series of meetings with the committee to discuss policy direction and plan recommendations.

The steering committee and planning team are now asking that the community participate in a public survey that will be used to gauge public priorities and concerns. San Juan County wants to be sure that the plan accurately represents the residents' wishes, and community participation is crucial and valuable!

By utilizing this on-line survey tool, the steering committee and planning team strive to solicit a wide range of meaningful public input important to the development of the overall plan. If you would like to participate in the survey, but do not have access to the internet, please contact Susan Hakanson with San Juan County at 505-334-4273 for assistance.

The completed plan will provide baseline data for today and a roadmap to assist in community development decisions of tomorrow.

Use this direct link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SZLCRD6>, or links to the survey will be available on the San Juan County web site and Facebook page. Watch for updates and meeting announcements on the County's Facebook page, Twitter and web site; www.sjcounty.net.

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