



ENVISION CONTRA COSTA 2040

Sustainability Committee

4/26/2021

Envision Contra Costa 2040



**General
Plan**



**Zoning
Code**



**Climate
Action
Plan**

Environmental Impact Report

Senate Bill 1000

What is Environmental Justice?



The fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies.



CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §65040.12(E)

Pollution
burden

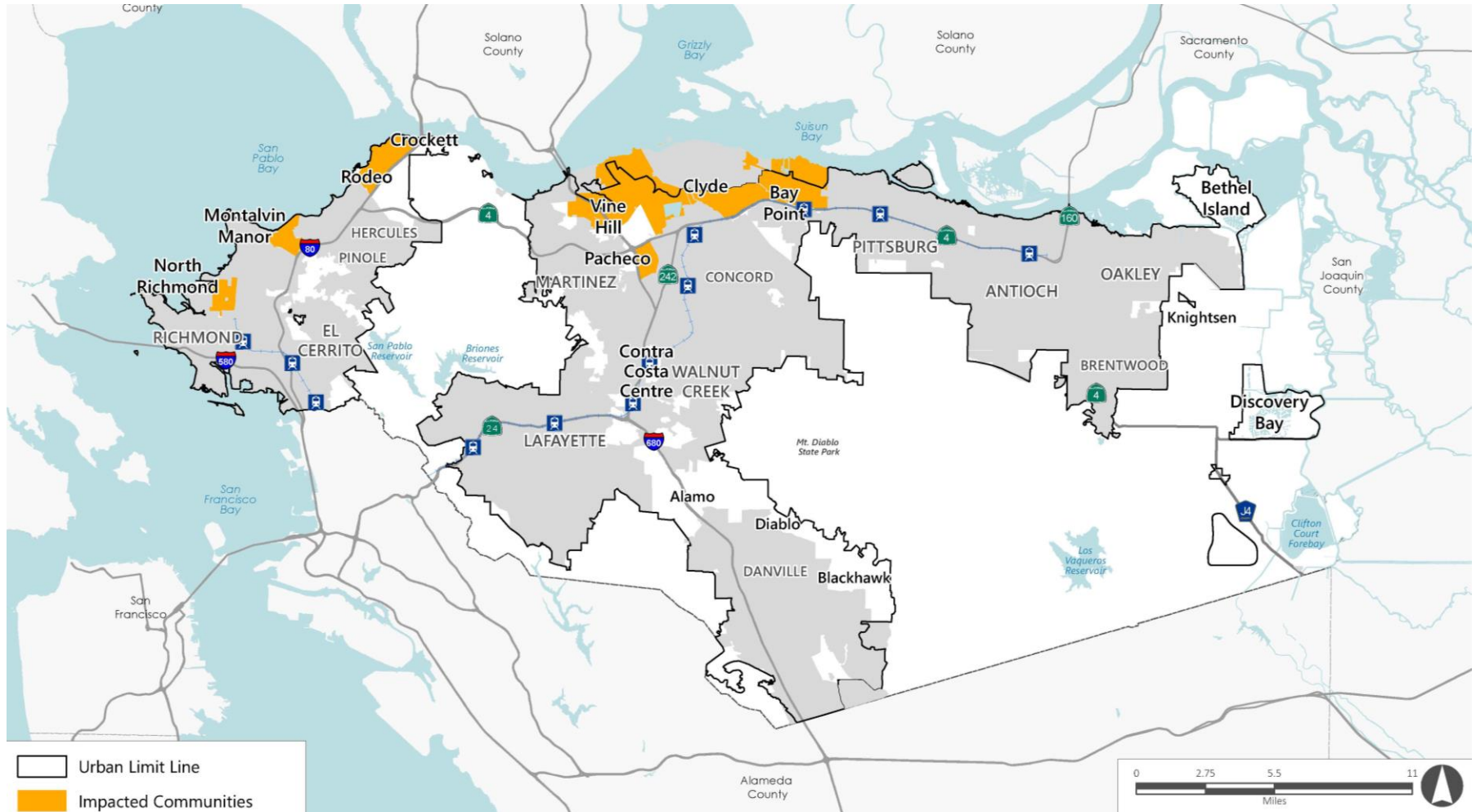


Low-
income
area



“Disadvantaged
community”

Draft “Disadvantaged” Communities

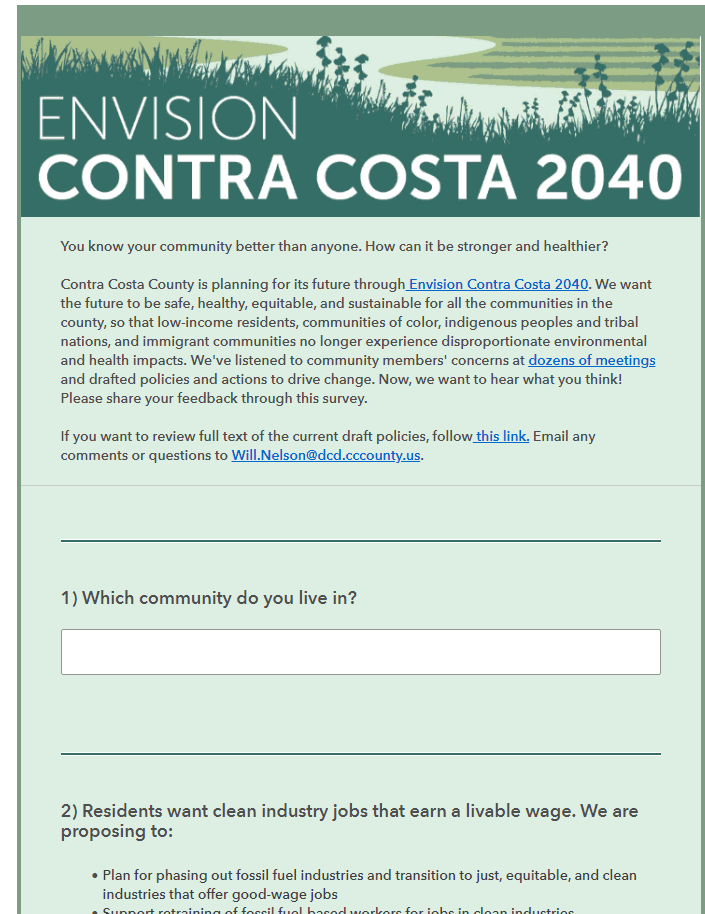


Prior Outreach

- » 19 meetings in “disadvantaged” communities
- » 2 Countywide collaborations on Environmental Justice, Sustainability, and Health
- » 4 Climate Action Plan workshops
- » 3 Countywide Open House events for Envision Contra Costa 2040
- » Online open house at:
<http://envisioncontracosta2040.org/online-engagement/>

EJ Policy Guidance Outreach

- » Timeframe: November 2020 through February 2021
- » Collected feedback via surveys:
 - Shorter survey highlighting big ideas: online and paper
 - **469 responses!**
 - Comments on individual policies and actions: online
- » Met with community-based organizations to collect input and promote survey



The image shows a survey form titled "ENVISION CONTRA COSTA 2040". The header features a landscape illustration with grass, a body of water, and hills. Below the title, the text reads: "You know your community better than anyone. How can it be stronger and healthier?" followed by a paragraph about Contra Costa County's planning process and a link to the draft policies. It also provides an email address for feedback. The form includes two numbered questions: "1) Which community do you live in?" with a text input field, and "2) Residents want clean industry jobs that earn a livable wage. We are proposing to:" with a list of two options: "Plan for phasing out fossil fuel industries and transition to just, equitable, and clean industries that offer good-wage jobs" and "Support retraining of fossil fuel-based workers for jobs in clean industries".

**ENVISION
CONTRA COSTA 2040**

You know your community better than anyone. How can it be stronger and healthier?

Contra Costa County is planning for its future through [Envision Contra Costa 2040](#). We want the future to be safe, healthy, equitable, and sustainable for all the communities in the county, so that low-income residents, communities of color, indigenous peoples and tribal nations, and immigrant communities no longer experience disproportionate environmental and health impacts. We've listened to community members' concerns at [dozens of meetings](#) and drafted policies and actions to drive change. Now, we want to hear what you think! Please share your feedback through this survey.

If you want to review full text of the current draft policies, follow [this link](#). Email any comments or questions to Will.Nelson@dcd.cccounty.us.

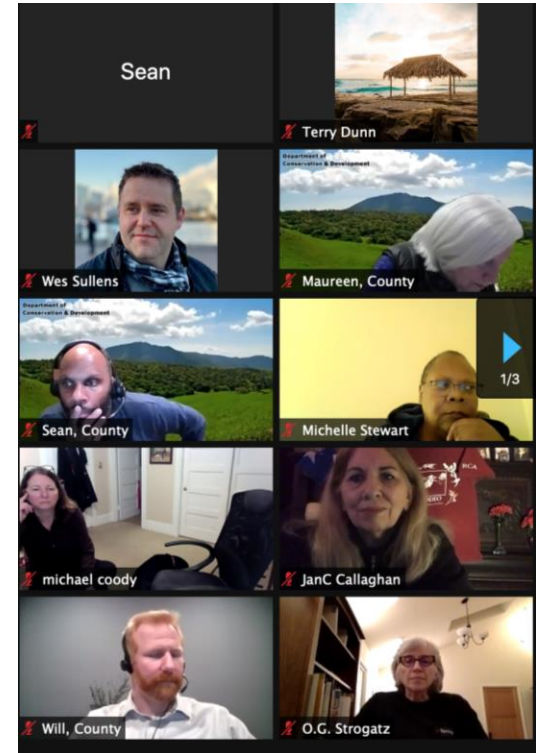
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February Meeting Series

- » Deeper dive into policy topics
- » Meetings were held virtually over Zoom
 - 2/3/21: Sustainable economy, homes, jobs
 - 2/10/21: Community engagement, transportation, infrastructure
 - 2/17/21: Health services, recreation, air quality, hazardous materials



Revised Draft EJ Policy Guidance

» Revisions reflect feedback from:

- September 2020 Sustainability Committee meeting
- Community outreach
- Additional coordination with County staff from other departments

» Revisions need further vetting by County staff

» Revised guidance provided within the context of the Draft General Plan Elements



Discussion Items

» “Disadvantaged community” terminology

- Change to “Impacted Community”

» Just Transition guidance

- Reflect emergency climate resolution
- Details of transition to be worked out through implementation of Just Transition plan (Action SC-A1.6)

» Environmental Justice advisory group

- Remove action to establish this group; instead rely on:
 - Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice advisory group
 - Sustainability Commission

What's Next?

» Summer 2021

- Remaining General Plan policy guidance

» Fall/Winter 2021/2022

- Draft General Plan

» Spring 2022

- Public review

» Summer/Fall 2022

- Review and adoption



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