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PIMA COUNTY, Jan. 15, 2025 – Pima County's <u>Development Services Department</u> is preparing to publish the 2025 update to the County's Comprehensive Plan, <u>Pima Prospers</u>. The plan is the 10-year comprehensive land use document that provides guidance and policies for continued development in Pima County. The current plan, approved by the Board of Supervisors in 2015, is required by Arizona state statute to be updated every 10 years.

The preliminary draft includes a reduction of policy chapters, from four to three, and a reorganization of the 2015 plan with more emphasis on key topics. Those topics include:

- Increasing housing construction and supply following the recession and effects of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Accounting of all the regional water supplies including precipitation and reclaimed water
- Increasing energy generation and storage capabilities from renewable sources
- Mitigating or adapting to the effects of climate change including higher temperatures, reduced rainfall, and wildfires

Before publishing the 2025 update, Development Services is seeking <u>public comment</u> on the preliminary draft, which includes updated policies (chapters 1-4) and the draft Rezoning and Special Areas Policies. Links to the different chapters and an interactive map can be found below.

- Chapter 1: Introduction (PDF)
- Chapter 2: Built and Social Environment (PDF)
- Chapter 3: Natural, Physical, and Cultural Environment (PDF)
- Chapter 4: Economic Environment (PDF)
- Rezoning and Special Area Policies Interactive Map

After the preliminary draft phase, Development Services will take the feedback collected to create an updated Pima Prospers 2025 Comprehensive Plan. At that point, the public will have 60 days to review the plan again before it is submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

<u>The Development Services Department</u> handles planning, zoning and development and its impact on the County. This includes handling citizen inquiries, performing research and providing technical assistance to prospective industries seeking to locate in Pima County.

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