

9.0 PLAN CONSISTENCY

The purpose of this section is to identify any possible conflicts between the proposed Plan and other land use plans, policies, and controls. The Air Quality section outlines the consistency issues with the Air Quality Management Plan and the Regional Growth Management Plan; the Population Housing section addresses the consistency with the Regional Housing Needs Assessment; the Transportation section covers the Regional Mobility Plan, and this section addresses the various City of Los Angeles plans, including Citywide Elements and Community Plans.

According to the California State Government Code Section 65300.5 a general plan must be integrated and internally consistent, both among the elements and within each element. This requirement applies to any optional elements adopted by the City as well as the mandatory elements. If there is internal inconsistency, the general plan is legally inadequate and required consistency cannot be found. See **Table PC-1** for a listing of policy numbers and environmental issues cross-referenced for Plan consistency.

The requirements for internal consistency may not be evaded by incorporating a subordination or precedence clause. All Elements, mandatory and optional, have equal legal status and no Element may be made subordinate to another. (*Sierra Club v. Board of Supervisors*, 126 Cal. App. 3d 698, 708 (1981)).

Both the Citywide General Plan Framework Element and the thirty-five Community Plans and the Port of Los Angeles (which collectively comprise the Land Use Element) address the issue of land use. The section explains the relationship between the Citywide General Plan Framework Element and the community plans.

9.1 *Planning Horizon for Citywide Elements*

The Citywide General Plan Framework Element and all the citywide elements, with the exception of the community plans, define the City's long-range growth and development policy, establishing the citywide standards, goals, policies, objectives, programs, terms, definitions, and direction by which the community plans shall be revised or updated. (A "revision" is comprehensive and detailed. An "update" is strategic and focused.) For the purposes of this section, "long-range" means that the Citywide General Plan Framework Element and all other citywide elements shall govern growth and development policy for the twenty years following original adoption or last comprehensive revision for focused update. As a matter of policy, the Citywide General Plan Framework Element and all other citywide elements shall be revised or updated no later than the end of the twentieth year following original adoption or comprehensive revision or focused update.

TABLE PC-1
POLICY IMPACT MATRIX

Policy Number	LU	UF	H/P	SW	WW	WR	E/NG	FC/D	TRAN	FIRE	POL	PUB SCH	LJB	REC/OS	CR	PH	GEO	BIO	AQ	NOISE	RU
Land Use																					
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A = ADVERSE IMPACT
B = BENEFICIAL IMPACT

9.2 *Planning Horizon for Community Plan Updates*

The Community Plans define the City's shorter-range growth and development policy. For the purposes of this section "shorter-range" means that the community plans shall govern growth and development policy for the five years following original adoption or comprehensive revision or focused update. As a matter of policy, the Community Plans shall be updated no later than the end of the fifth year following original adoption or comprehensive revision or focused update.

9.3 *Periodic Review*

The Department of City Planning shall periodically review the need to either revise or update the citywide elements, including the Citywide General Plan Framework Element, and the Community Plans. The results of this periodic review, when conducted, shall be reported to the City Planning Commission, the City Council, and the Mayor through the Annual Growth Report. The Annual Growth Report shall recommend which citywide element or Community Plans should be amended and why. These recommendations shall be based on an evaluation of changing circumstances, trends, and other information provided by the Department of City Planning's monitoring system.

This monitoring system shall be kept up to date by City staff through inputs from the applicable departments within the City of Los Angeles. Contributing departments/agencies include: Department of Water and Power, Solid Waste Management Department, Metropolitan Water District, Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Fire Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles Public Libraries, Los Angeles City and County health departments, Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation, California Department of Fish and Game, City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering, Southern California Gas Company, County Sanitation, SCAG, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit District, and Department of Public Works.

9.4 *Entitlements and Zoning Consistency*

The Community Plans shall continue to define entitlements governing zone changes and division of land applications. Conditional uses shall continue to be subject to the applicable provisions of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. The Community Plans shall remain the point of reference for determining compliance with Government Code Section 65860 (d) that requires General Plan and Zoning consistency for charter cities of 2,000,000 or more in population.

9.5 *Amendments*

As citywide elements, Community Plans and Specific Plans are amended through an update or revision process, any proposed amendments must conform to the Citywide General Plan Framework Element. Of an amendment is proposed to a citywide element, Community Plan, or Specific Plan that is inconsistent with the

Citywide General Plan Framework Element then the City Council must find that the proposed amendment to the citywide element, Community Plan, or Specific Plan is in the best interests of the City. If a finding is made that the amendment is in the best interests of the City then the Citywide General Plan Framework Element must also be amended to maintain General Plan consistency.

9.6 Conclusion

It is the goal and intent of all aspects of the Citywide General Plan Framework Element to be in full compliance with all applicable Plans, policies, and programs enforced through the City of Los Angeles. All necessary efforts have been completed to incorporate these other guidelines through the Framework Plan for a comprehensive all-inclusive document to marry with the existing General Plan.