



GENERAL PLAN 2048

General Plan Update Process

October 3, 2024
Community Update Meeting



VISION

FROM 2015

Barstow is a community where visitors explore, workers reside and raise their families and children grow up to find jobs at livable wages, enabling them to remain in the community to develop their own households.

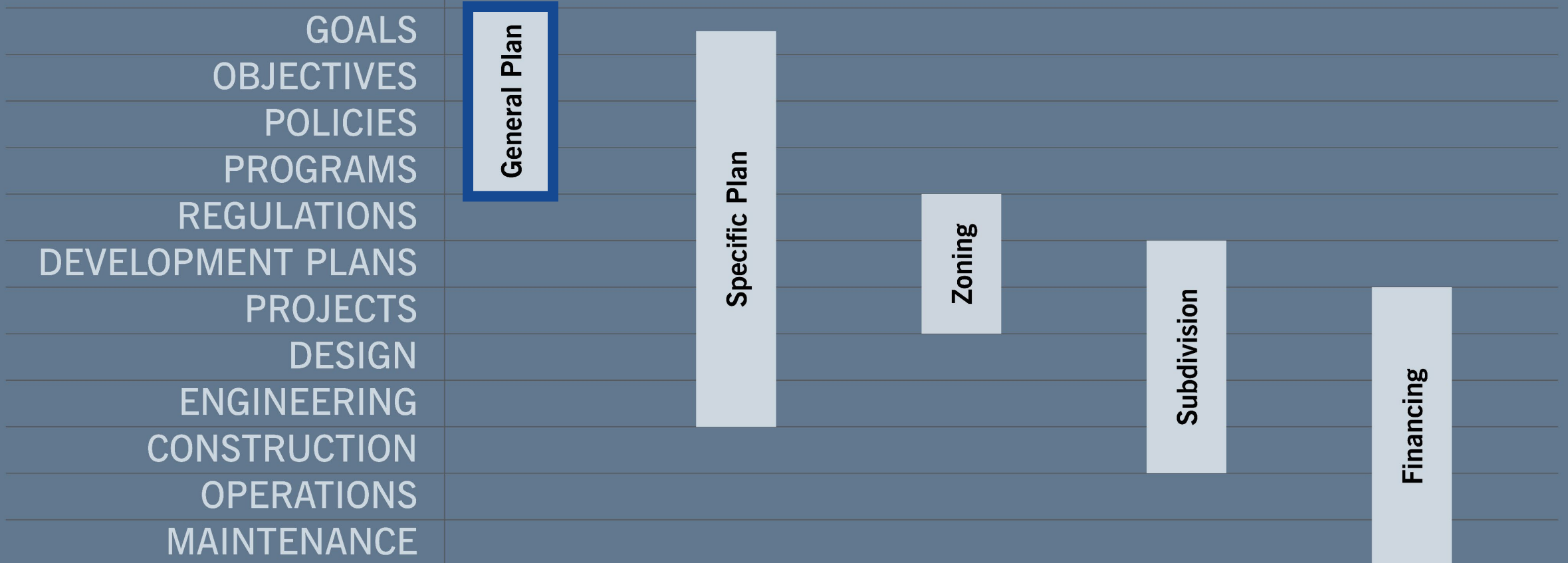
PLANNING SYSTEMS

HOW CITIES PLAN FOR, REGULATE, AND MANAGE GROWTH



PLANNING LEVELS

SYSTEM COMPONENTS



What is a General Plan?

- City's comprehensive and long-term plan for growth and improvement
 - Overall vision of Barstow's desired future
 - Goals, policies, and maps to guide decisions when evaluating projects and investments
 - Actions to identify next steps for implementation



GPU Timeline

2015

- City updated General Plan to guide growth and development through 2020

2020

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Future Growth

- Barstow International Gateway
- Hospitality industry
- Industrial jobs
- Electric vehicle infrastructure
- Single and multifamily housing
- Retention and attraction of families and young adults



Planning Implications

- Built environment
 - How to arrange existing and new land uses
 - Improve and expand transportation, utility, and other infrastructure systems
 - Amount and type of new housing
- Natural environment
 - Grow while preserving desert environment
 - Energy, air, water, mineral resources



Planning Implications

- Barstow community
 - New jobs and training opportunities
 - School, park, and recreation facilities
 - Cultural and historic resources
- City of Barstow
 - Prioritizing and budgeting improvements
 - Providing community services / public safety
 - Partnerships with public and private entities



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2022

- City hired PlaceWorks to help conduct a comprehensive update of the entire General Plan



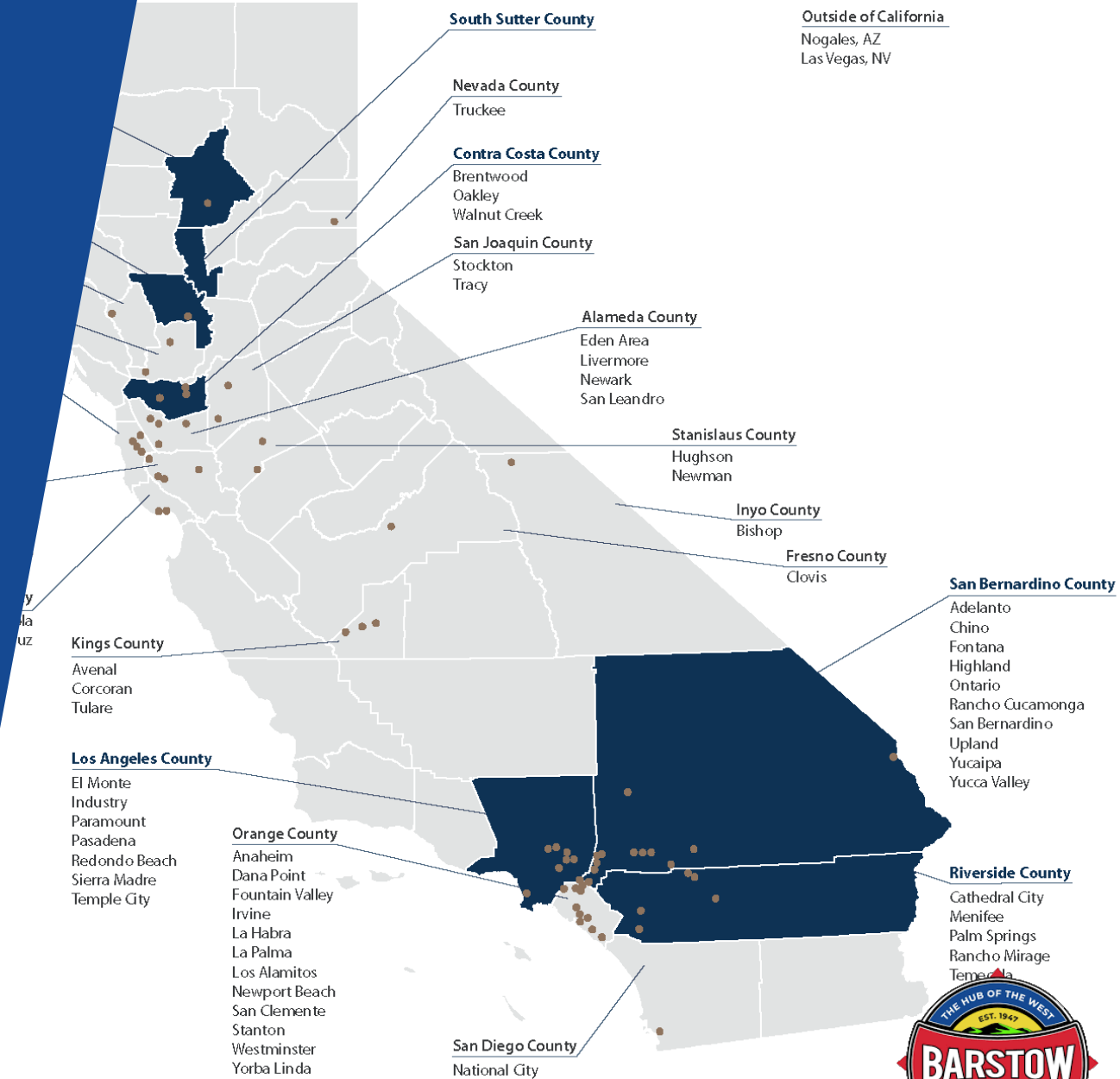
- Planning, Environmental, & Design
- Public and private sector clients
- 130+ General Plans in California
 - San Bernardino County, Needles, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga



Colin Drukker
Planning



Mark Teague
Environmental



GPU Timeline

2023

- Community and stakeholder outreach
- Develop draft land use plan, goals, and policies

2024

- Additional outreach, technical studies, and environmental analysis
- Draft General Plan elements

Summary of Outreach (2023 & 2024)

2023

- Stakeholder meetings: 13 different groups
- Town Hall: 300+ attendees
- Public survey: 200+ responses

2024

- Open house/scoping meeting: 200+ attendees
- Community update meeting: TONIGHT

ALL

- Multimedia awareness for all events
 - Local radio (English and Spanish)
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Instagram, Facebook, and the City's website



Stakeholder Engagement

Organizations / Interest Groups

- Healthcare
- Education
- Students
- Youth Sports
- Seniors & Vets
- Homeless
- Ministerial
- Lenwood
- Silver Valley
- Small Business
- Real Estate
- MCLB
- Ft. Irwin

Top Priorities

- Encourage investment in community
- Create career opportunities
- Expand housing options
- Support local schools
- Improve public services & safety
- Increase recreation amenities

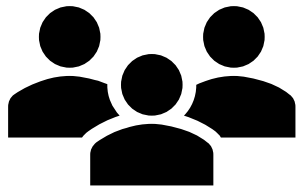


Survey Results – Top Priorities

**Safe
neighborhoods**

**Enhanced
educational
resources**

**More housing
opportunities**



**More livable
wage jobs**

**A vibrant
downtown**

Town Hall & Open House – Most Common Qs

BIG Specific Plan

When will everything happen?
Will there be a lot of trucks or is almost everything by train?

Future Jobs

How many jobs?
What types of jobs?
Will there be job training?

Land Use Changes

What new uses are going to be allowed?
How will this affect my home or business?

Public Facilities

How will this affect roads and infrastructure?
Where will schools and parks go?

Planning and Environmental (2023 & 2024)

2023

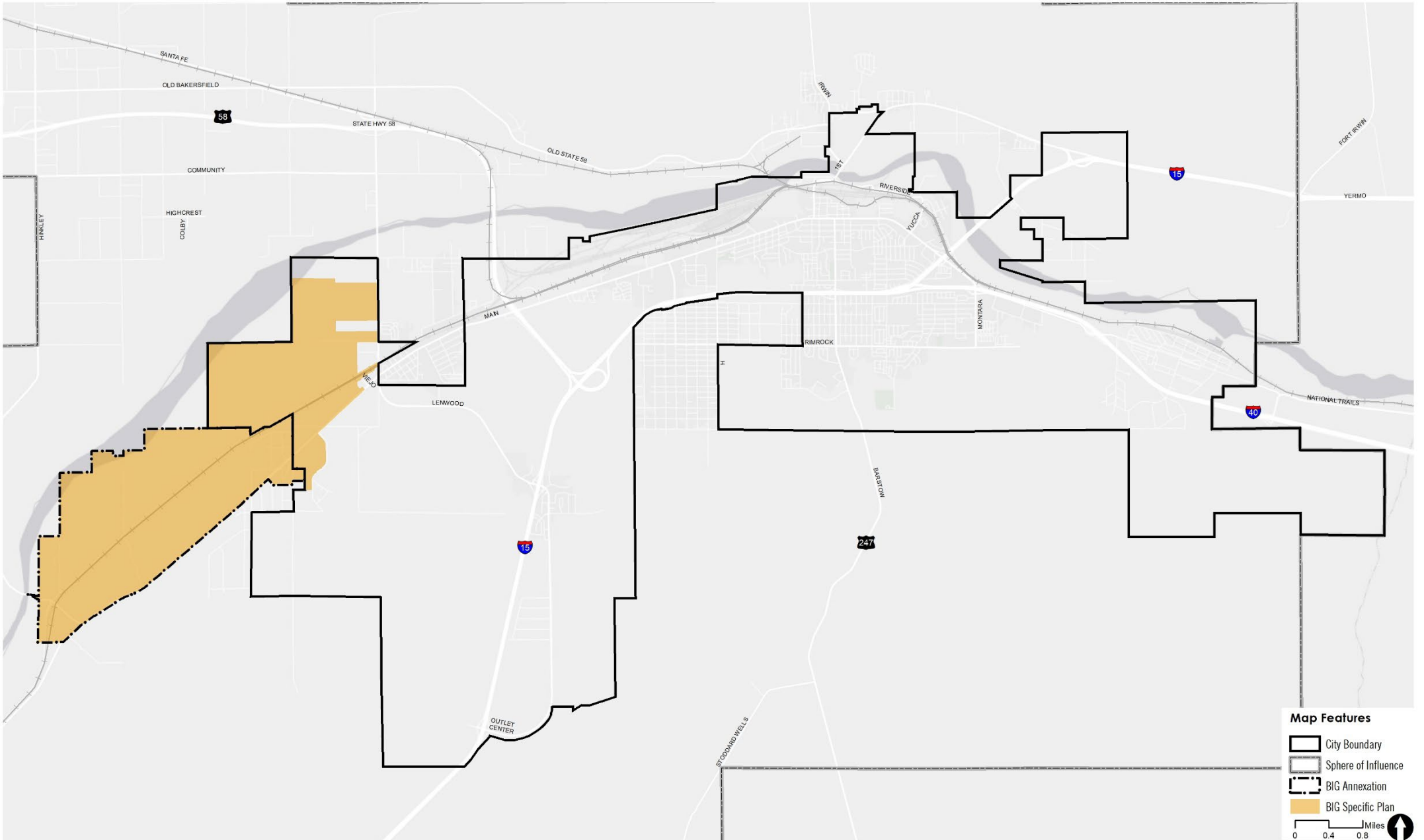
- Land use and circulation planning
- Evaluation of other development interests
- Growth projections

2024

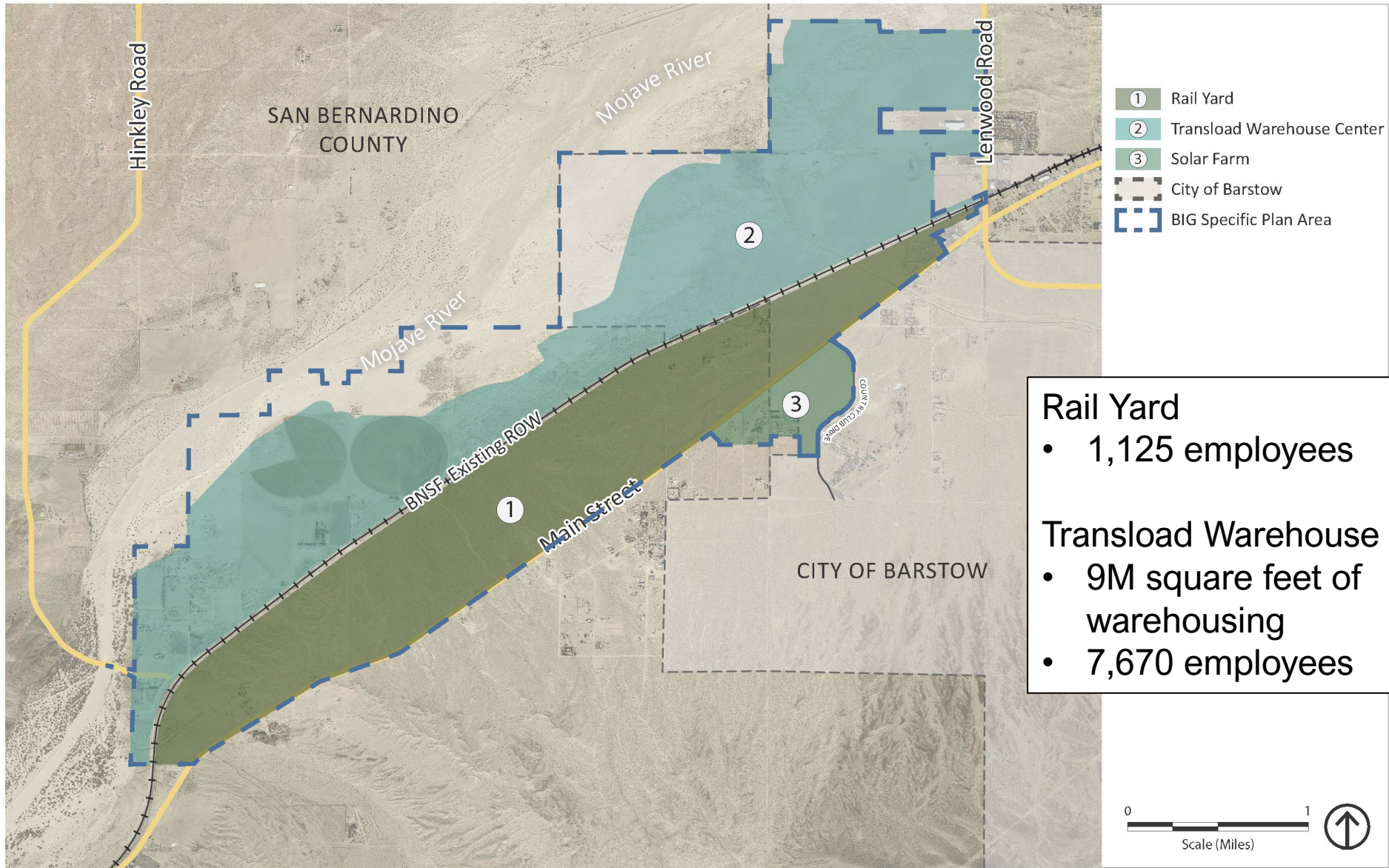
- Coordination with regional, state, federal, tribal entities
- EIR scoping meeting
- Evaluation of preliminary BIG Specific Plan/application
- Technical studies (trans/infrastructure)
- Draft goals, policies, and implementation



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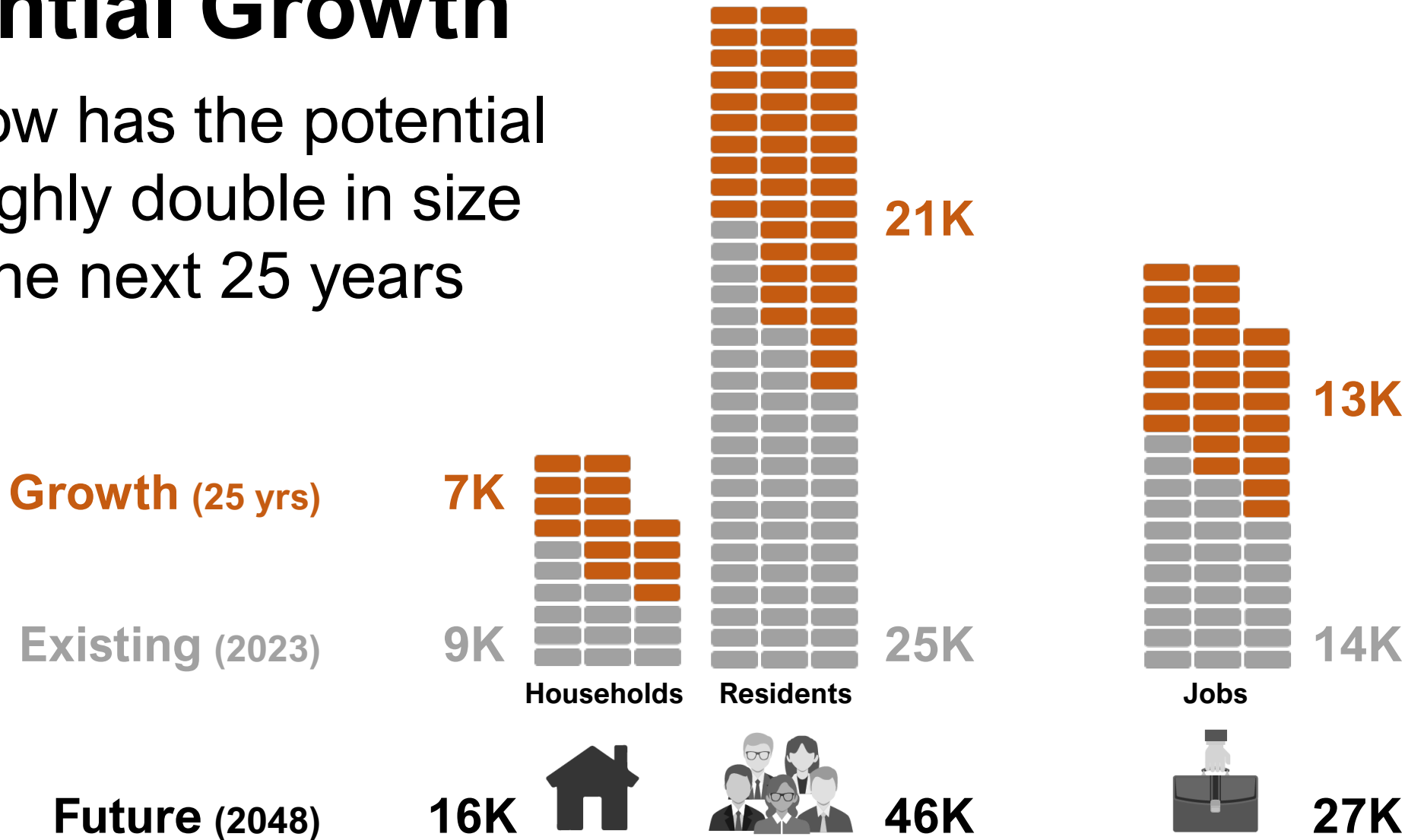
Source: Kimley-Horn and Associates, 2024.

Figure 3
BIG Conceptual Site Plan



Potential Growth

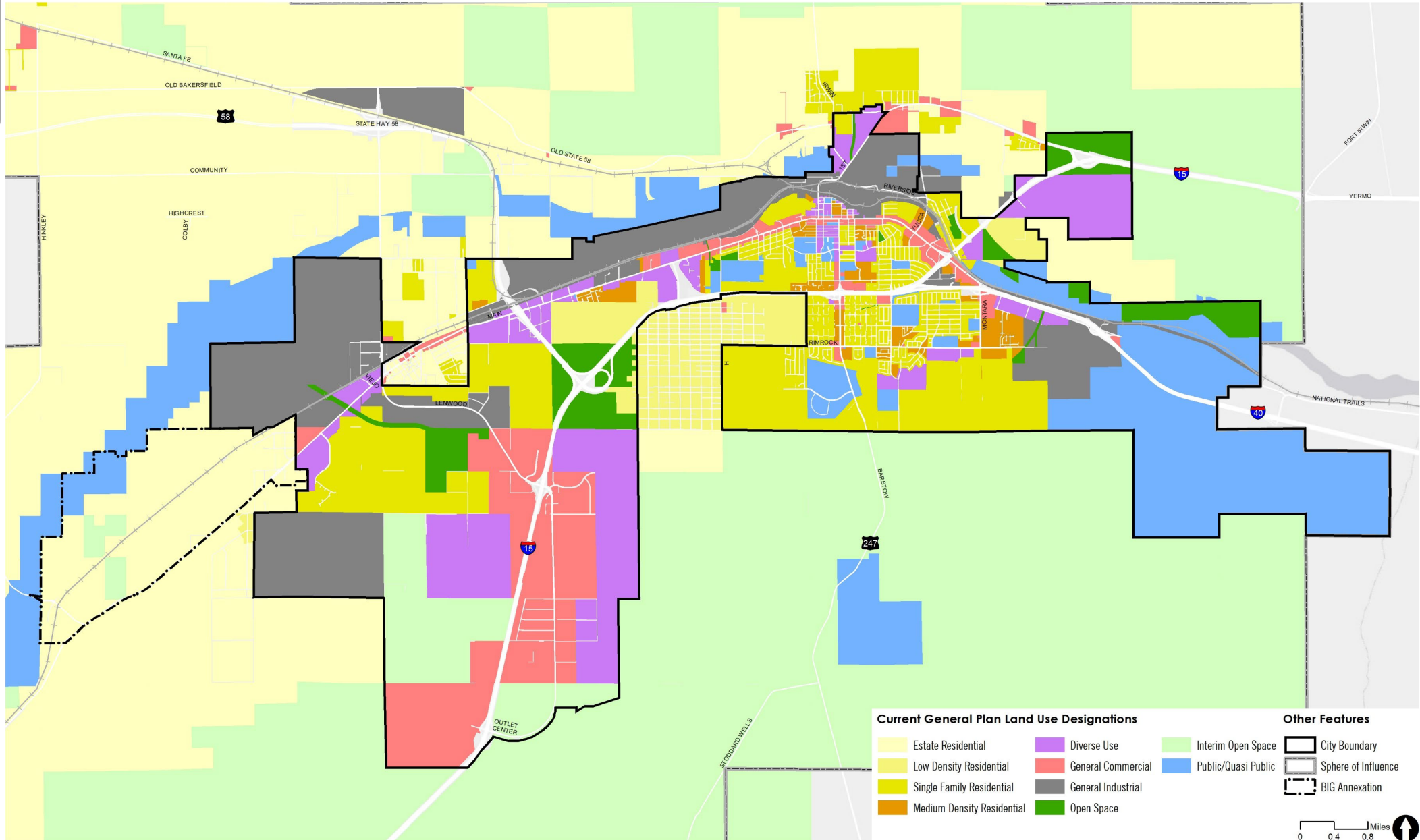
Barstow has the potential to roughly double in size over the next 25 years



Note: Figures shown exclude unincorporated Barstow, which is not forecasted to change, but represents ~3.5K HH, 11K POP, 1K JOBS



Current LU Plan

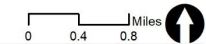


Current General Plan Land Use Diagram City of Barstow

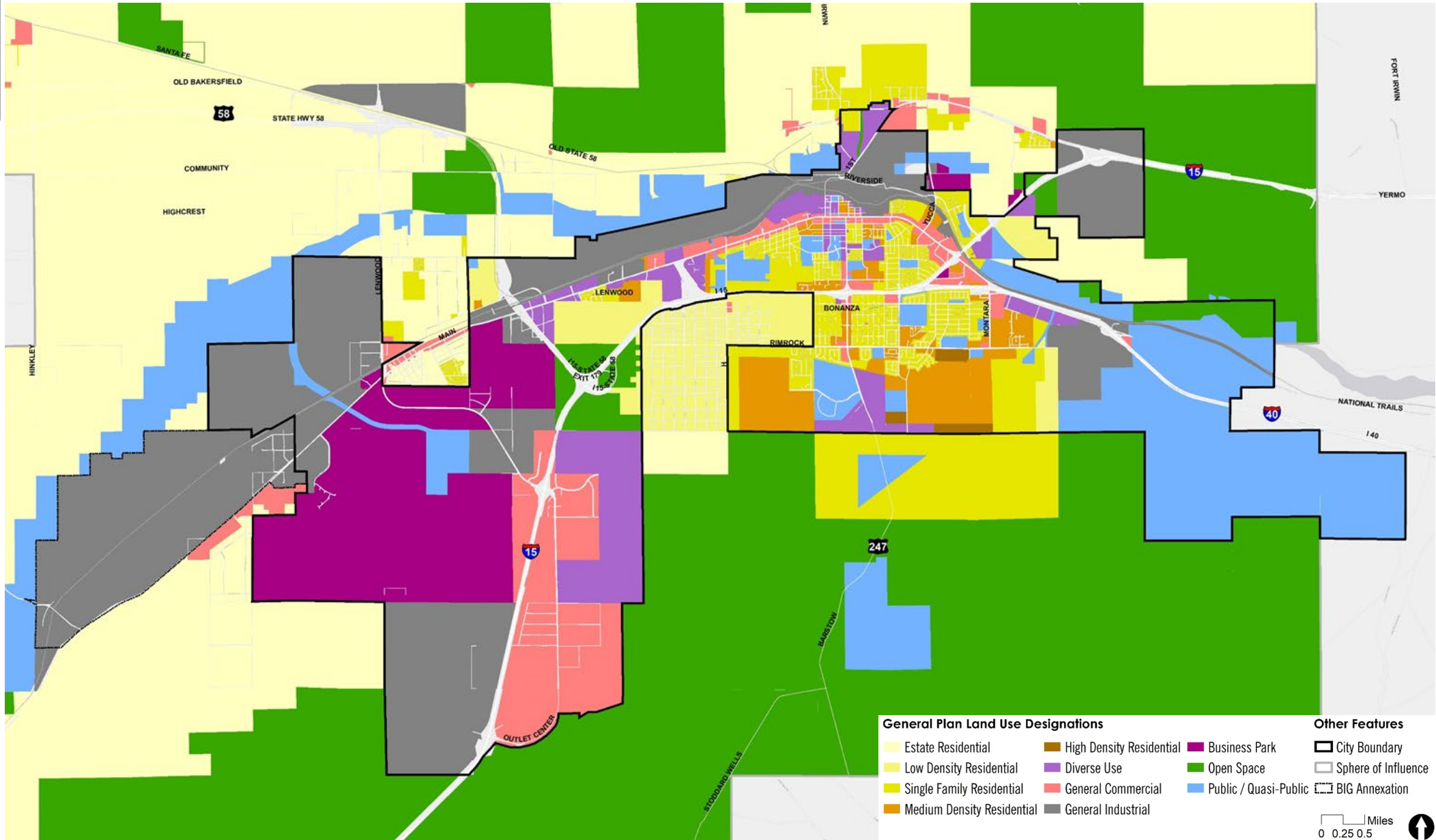
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Draft LU Plan



General Plan Land Use Designations

- Estate Residential
- Low Density Residential
- Single Family Residential
- Medium Density Residential
- High Density Residential
- Diverse Use
- General Commercial
- General Industrial
- Business Park
- Open Space
- Public / Quasi-Public

Other Features

- City Boundary
- Sphere of Influence
- BIG Annexation

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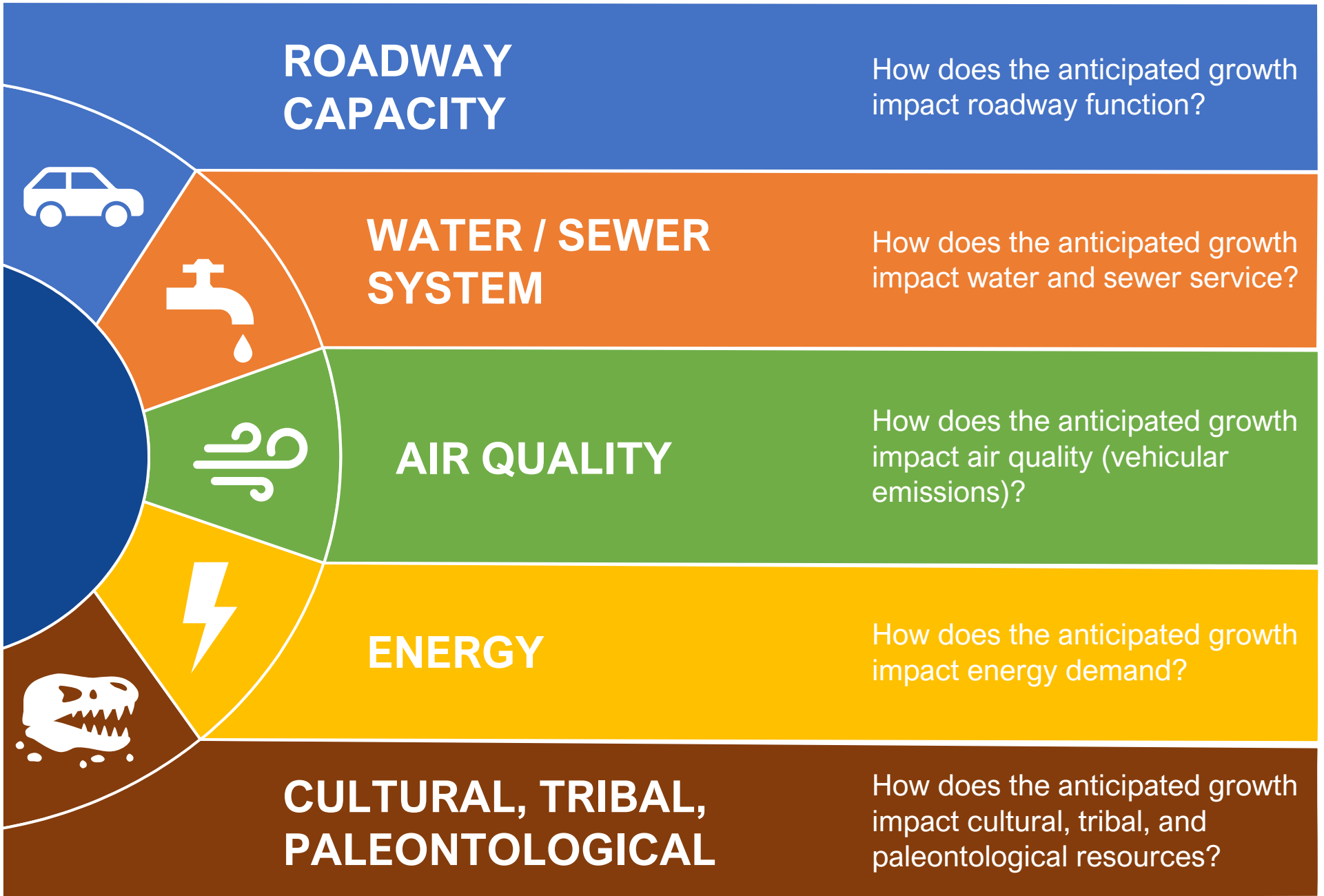
General Plan Land Use Diagram | Working Draft (October 3, 2024) City of Barstow

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Technical Analysis



CEQA Environmental Analysis

California Environmental Quality Act



CEQA is a process to inform decision makers and public about possible impacts of a decision on the environment



CEQA is also a process to identify feasible ways to mitigate such impacts and evaluate alternatives



EIR evaluates the projected growth through 2048 compared to what is on the ground today

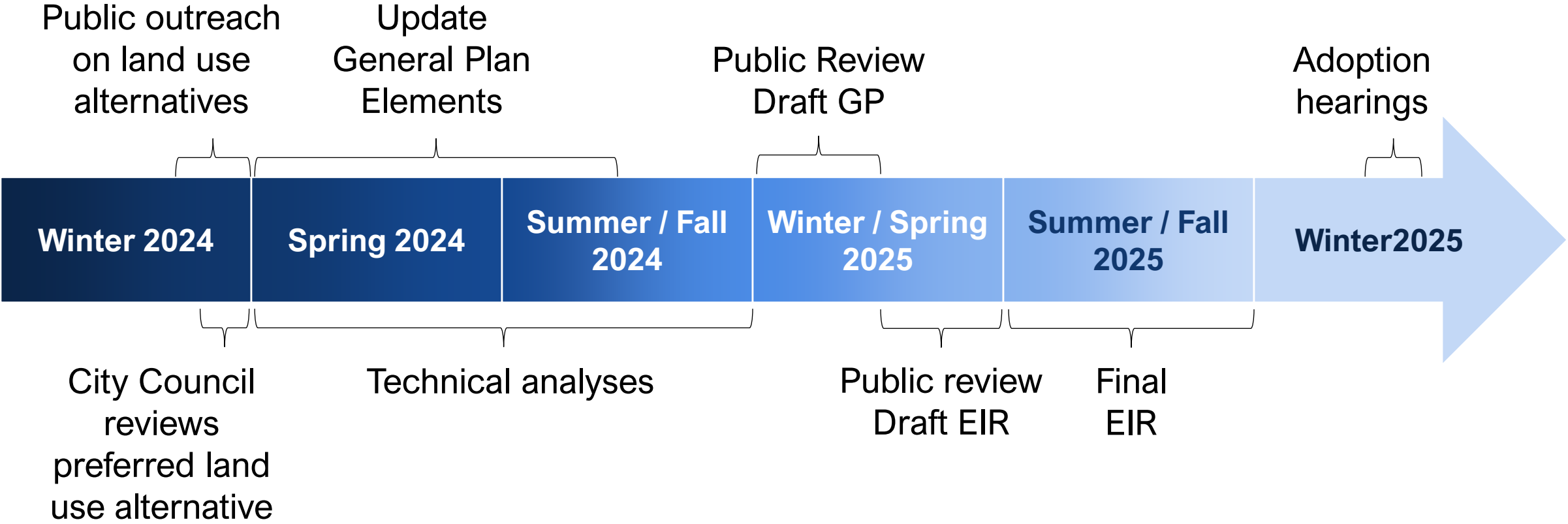


Topics ranging from air quality to hydrology to transportation

Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will cover:

- Comprehensive General Plan Update
- Entire planning area (City & unincorporated sphere)
- BIG Specific Plan, including pre-zoning and annexation

Timeline and Next Steps



Note: estimated timeline subject to change



Stay Informed and Involved

- Submit comments & questions via e-mail generalplan@barstowca.org
- Visit the City website for the latest news, materials, and draft documents for review www.barstowca.org

<https://www.barstowca.org/departments/community-development-department/planning/general-plan-update>

