
TOWN OF LOOMIS GENERAL PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING #2 JULY 26, 2021



AGENDA

- » **Recap of April Meeting**
- » **Review of Draft Goals, Objectives, Policies, and Implementation Measures**



RECAP OF APRIL MEETING



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- » **Overview of Environmental Justice**
- » **Discussed Data and Town Ranking / Not a Disadvantaged Community**
- » **Approach**
 - Development of basic goal, objective, policy, and implementation measure
 - Reference of relevant policies and implementation measures in other Elements to reduce redundancy and potential for inconsistency
- » **Draft Goals, Objectives, Policies, and Implementation Measures**
- » **Homework**



COMMENTS

- » **Why is the 2018 unemployment factor so high?**
- » **Since this overlaps with every other chapter, how do we address this?**
- » **This doesn't seem to touch on the cultural aspects of Loomis**
 - Acknowledge the Asian and Native American communities of the Town's past.
- » **Address solid waste buildup**
- » **The historical society is working on events to remember Japanese internment that affected the community**
- » **There has been an increase in the percent of students at Loomis Grammar School and H. Clark Powers School that receive lunch assistance.**
- » **Are there safe routes to the schools?**
- » **Instead of 5 acres of parks/1,000 persons, we should focus on where the parks are located.**
- » **Concern over gentrification and displacement in the downtown area.**
- » **The setting should highlight the CalEPA ranking topics over 50%**
- » **What can we do to stop Rocklin affecting Loomis since portions of Rocklin are in our CalEPA map area?**



COMMENTS

- » **Schools should not count as accessible parks**
- » **Does this topic address minority-owned businesses?**
- » **Loomis has been growing in diversity recently**
- » **The setting should add more detail on the environmental justice requirements in a General Plan.**
 - Add goals regarding 1) the siting of industrial uses in relation to schools and residences and 2) expanding transit service
- » **Provide an appendix of the Enviroscreen sites located outside the Town limit but within the census block that affect the Town's rating**
- » **The Town should assist private landowners in cleaning their sites to prevent a poor rating in the future**
- » **Add implementation measures to consider community amenities:**
 - Community garden for food access
 - Community laundry to avoid pollution of waterways
 - Community cold storage to combat food loss during power outages
 - Community cooling center/products to combat extreme heat events



DISCUSSION OF DRAFT GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES, AND IMPLEMENTATION MEASURES



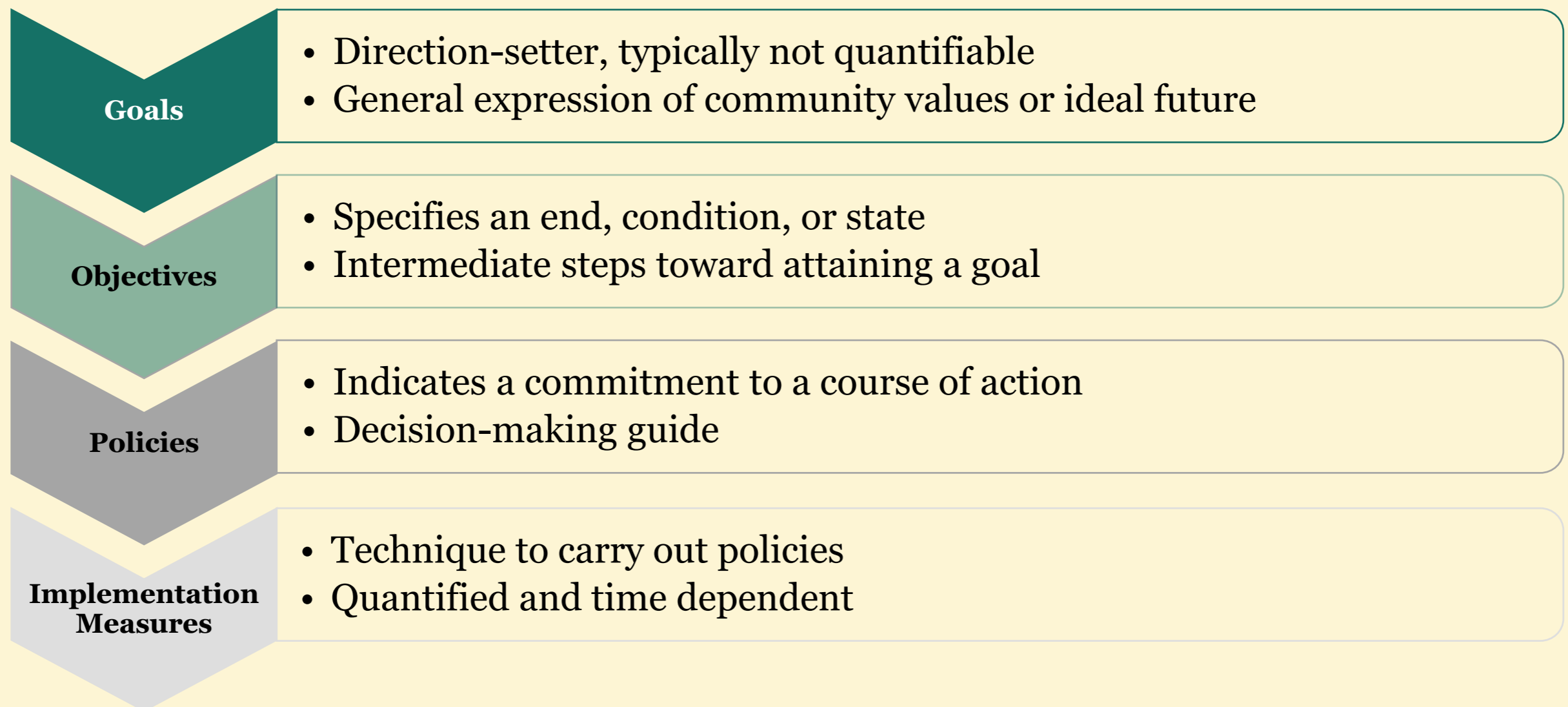
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT APPROACH

- » **Approach is to provide a general goal, objective, policy, and implementation measures for Environmental Justice**
- » **Reference the goals, objectives, policies, and implementation measures from other Elements that affect conditions related to Environmental Justice**
 - For example, policies related to:
 - Clean water
 - Air quality
 - Noise level management
 - Transit and Pedestrian/Bicycle Accessibility
 - Access to parks and open space
- » **Referencing other Elements helps to avoid redundancy and conflicting statements.**



GOALS, OBJECTIVES, POLICIES, AND IMPLEMENTATION MEASURES

<https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/loomis-goal-and-policy-writing/>



DRAFT GOAL, OBJECTIVE, POLICY AND IMPLEMENTATION MEASURES

» Goal

- The goal of the Loomis General Plan Environmental Justice Element is to support a thriving community by reducing health and environmental impacts, particularly on disadvantaged or low-income communities within the Town.

» Objective

- The provision of a full range of access to housing, public facilities, and economic centers, improvement in the quality of the built and natural environment, and promotion of civil engagement.

» Policy

- Consider environmental justice issues as they pertain to the equitable provision of public services, housing, amenities, and environmental quality.

» Implementation Measures

- The Town shall consider matters of community equity and environmental justice during the public project review process.
- The Town shall modify the General Plan, zoning code, and zoning map to maintain environmental justice within the Town and achieve equitable conditions throughout the Town.



QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER WHEN REVIEWING POLICIES IN OTHER ELEMENTS

- » Is there a policy in the Element to address the equitable distribution of benefits and environmental burdens?
- » Is there a policy that should be included on this topic in relation to environmental justice?
- » Should a policy be strengthened to integrate themes of health, resilience, equity, and environmental justice?



NEXT STEPS



AVAILABLE GENERAL PLAN DOCUMENTS FOR YOUR REVIEW

<https://loomis.ca.gov/2020-general-plan-update/>

» Volume I General Plan Policy Documents

- Cover and Table of Contents (V.3)
- Chapter 1 Introduction (V.2)
- Chapter 2 Role of the General Plan (V.2)
- Element 9 Environmental Justice(V.3)

» Volume II Implementing Standards, Guidelines, & Plans

- 1 Glossary (V.4 June 23, 2021)

» Volume III General Plan and CEQA Settings

- 3 Environmental Justice Setting (V.2 June 12, 2021)
- <https://loomis.ca.gov/documents/environmental-justice-setting/>



DISCUSSION

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