

Santolina Level A Master Plan

MID-REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS

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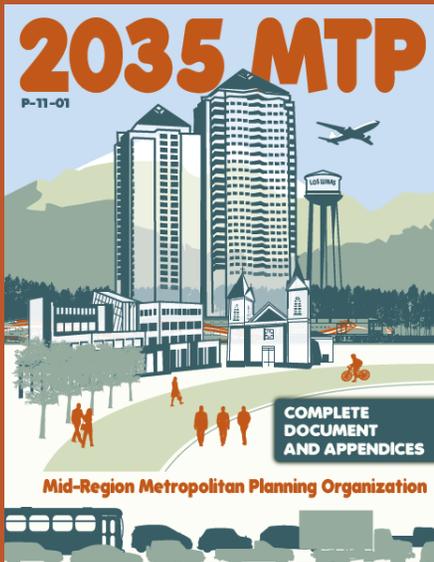
BERNALILLO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION



Master Planned Communities

- The Santolina Level A Master Plan seeks to accomplish a self-sufficient development through master planning procedures.
 - Meeting policy objectives allows for future development of high quality, mixed use, and largely self-sufficient planned communities within the Albuquerque Metropolitan Area.
 - A master planned community can have extensive impact on our regional transportation network, new infrastructure costs, economic activity, and expanded growth.
 - The “building our way out of congestion” approach to transportation in the region will no longer suffice.
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Consistency with the long range plan (2035 MTP)



- MRMPO has developed many key strategies in its long range plan that will aid our metropolitan area to accommodate future growth in a sustainable and manageable way.
- These strategies can assist member governments with the unintended consequences of growth.
- It is imperative that we grow in a manner that more closely considers the following key strategies:
 - Integrating land use and transportation planning
 - Expanding transit and alternative modes of transportation
 - Maximizing the efficiency of existing infrastructure
- MRMPO has the following recommendations related to:
 - Urban center location (linking land use and transportation planning)
 - Long Range Roadway System/internal and regional connectivity
 - Transit expansion

Urban Center Location

- MRMPO is pleased to see a proposed urban center playing a significant role in the plan.
- Opportunity to balance land uses on the west side by providing jobs, services and civic spaces that are currently lacking.
- It is because of this opportunity that MRMPO is particularly concerned with the way in which the transportation infrastructure will affect the viability of the urban center as it is currently envisioned.



Downtown Albuquerque

Urban Center Location Continued

- Sen. Dennis Chavez Blvd. and Atrisco Vista Blvd are both proposed high-speed, high-capacity, access controlled principal arterials
- The primary function of these two access-managed facilities is to move large regional traffic flows quickly and efficiently
- Partitions the urban center into quadrants.
- Diminishes potential for vibrant urban core



Intersection of Montano & Coors Blvd.

Urban Center Location Continued

- High-speed limited-access facilities set the framework for segregated and large institutional land uses.
- Hinders multi-modal transportation options and favors automobile transportation along with auto-oriented development.
- Not consistent with our MTPs goal of linking land use and all modes of transportation



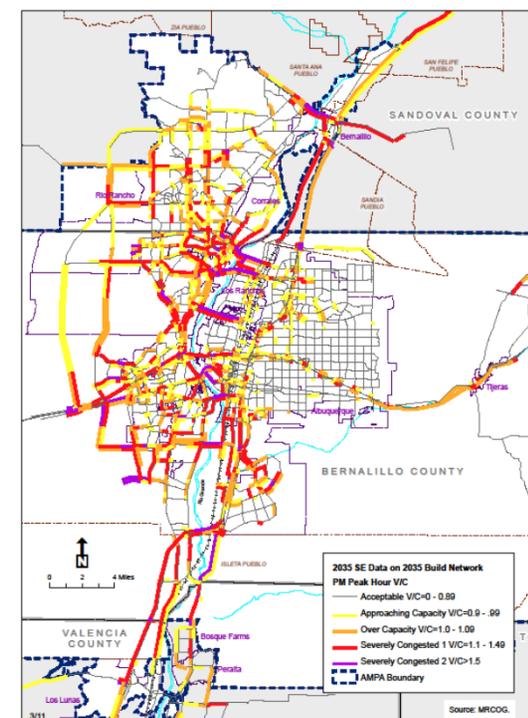
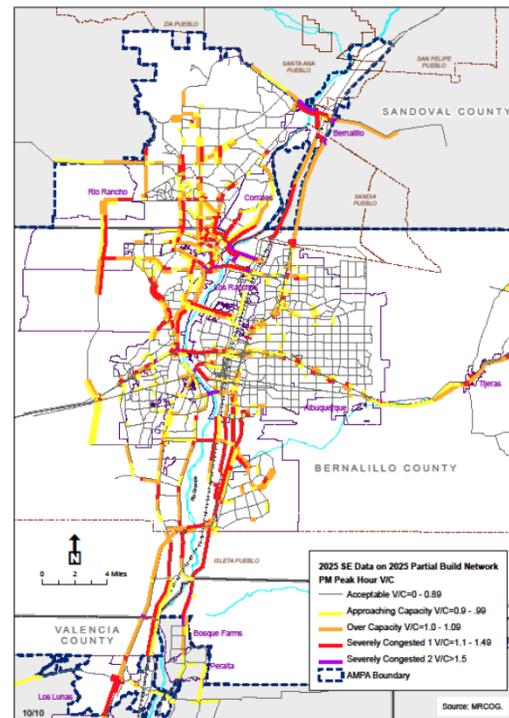
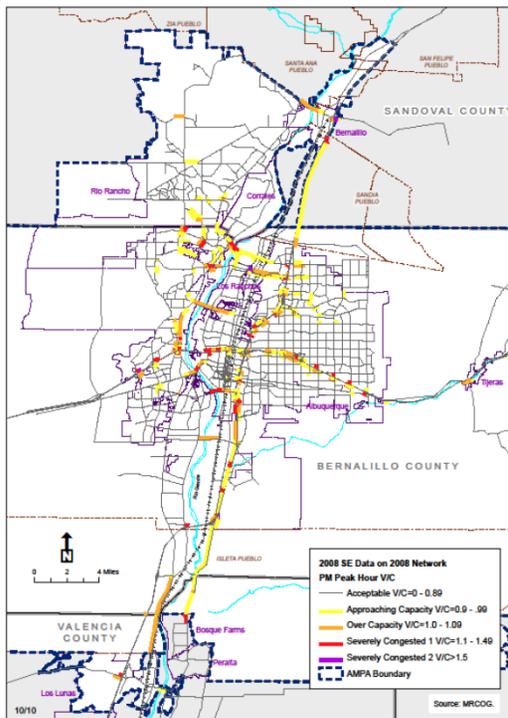
Intersection of PdN & Coors Blvd

2035 MTP PM PEAK Volume/Capacity (Build)

2008

2025

2035

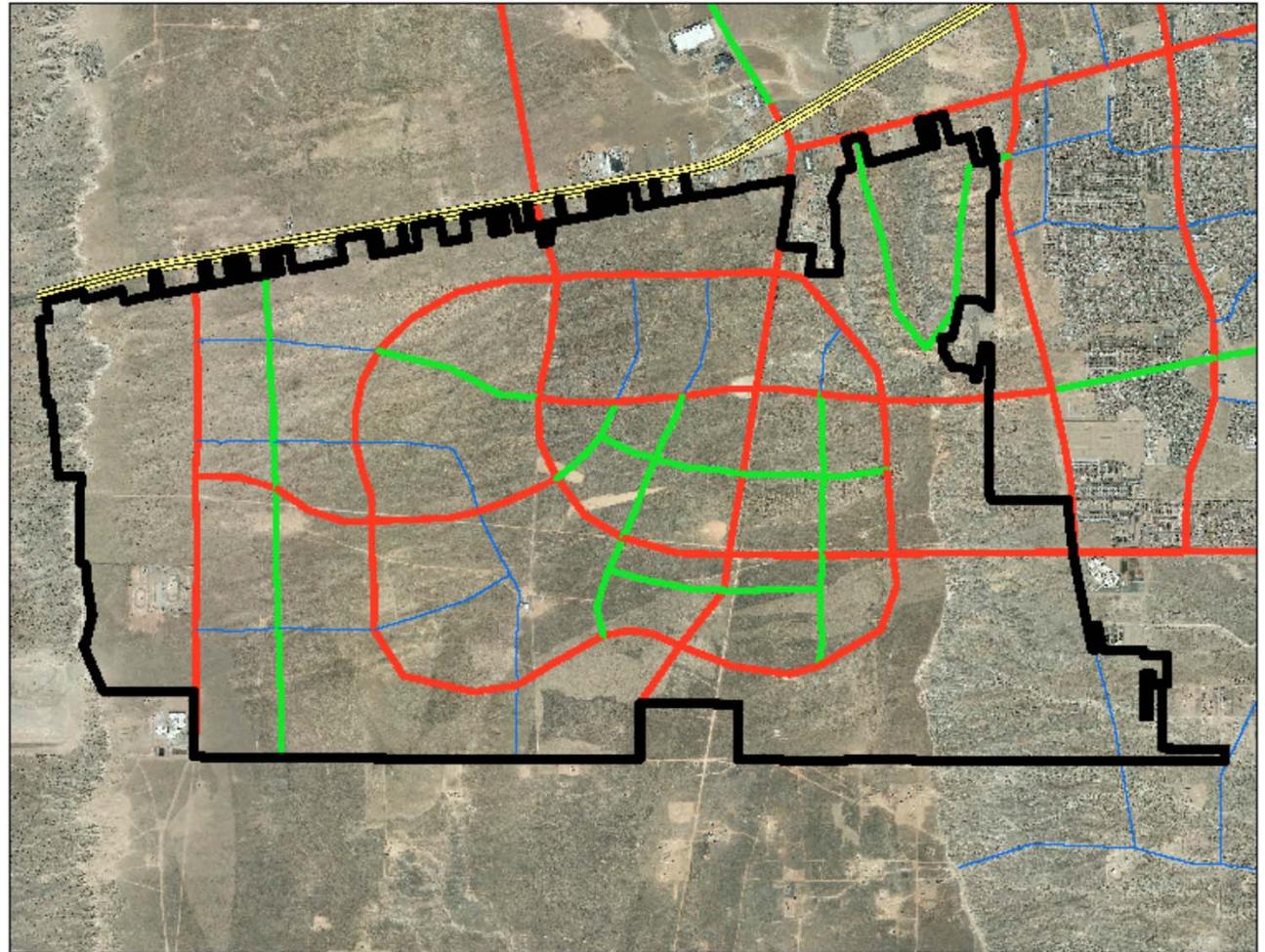


Santolina Full Build out Roadway Network

Legend

FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

- Principal Arterial
- Minor Arterial
- Collector

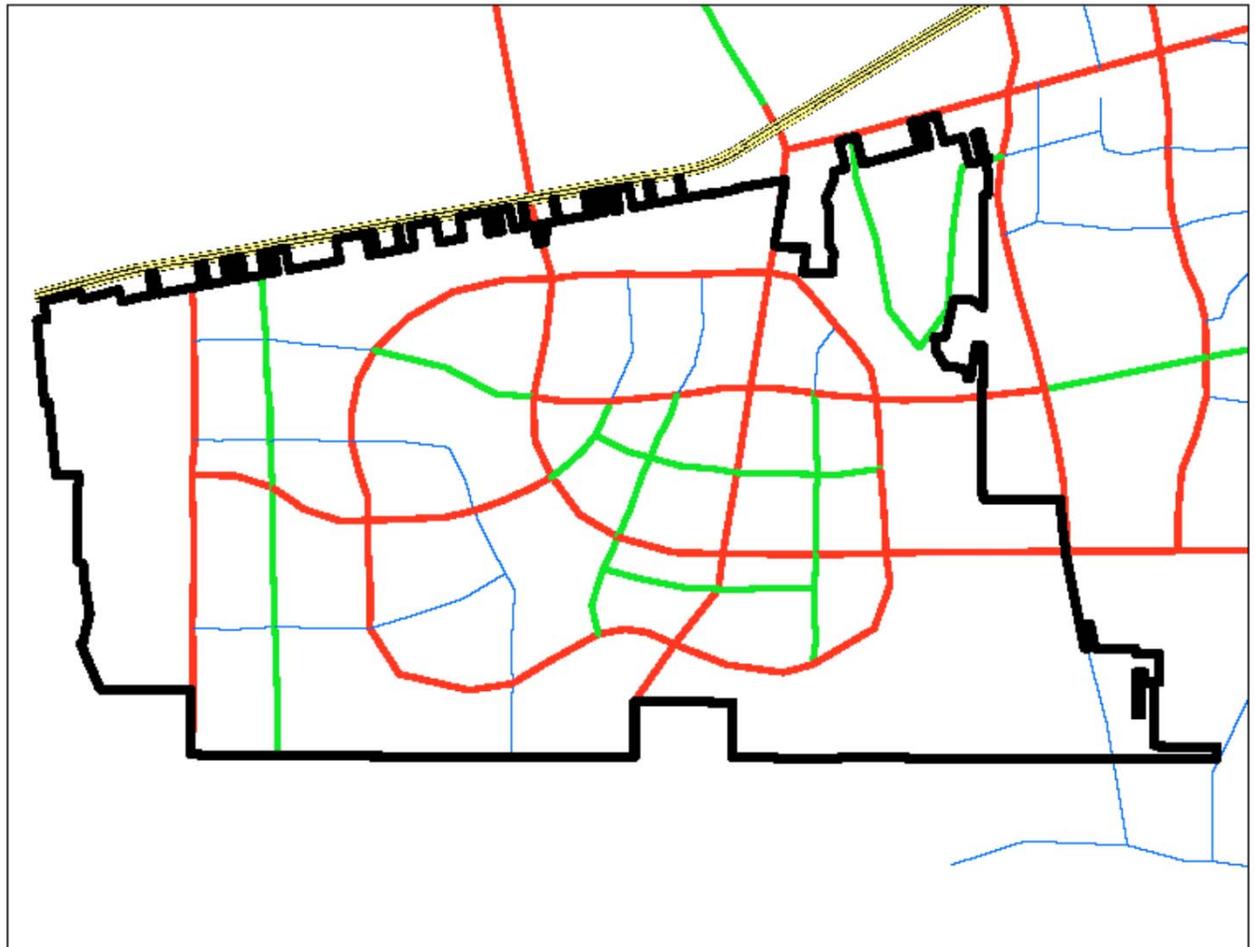


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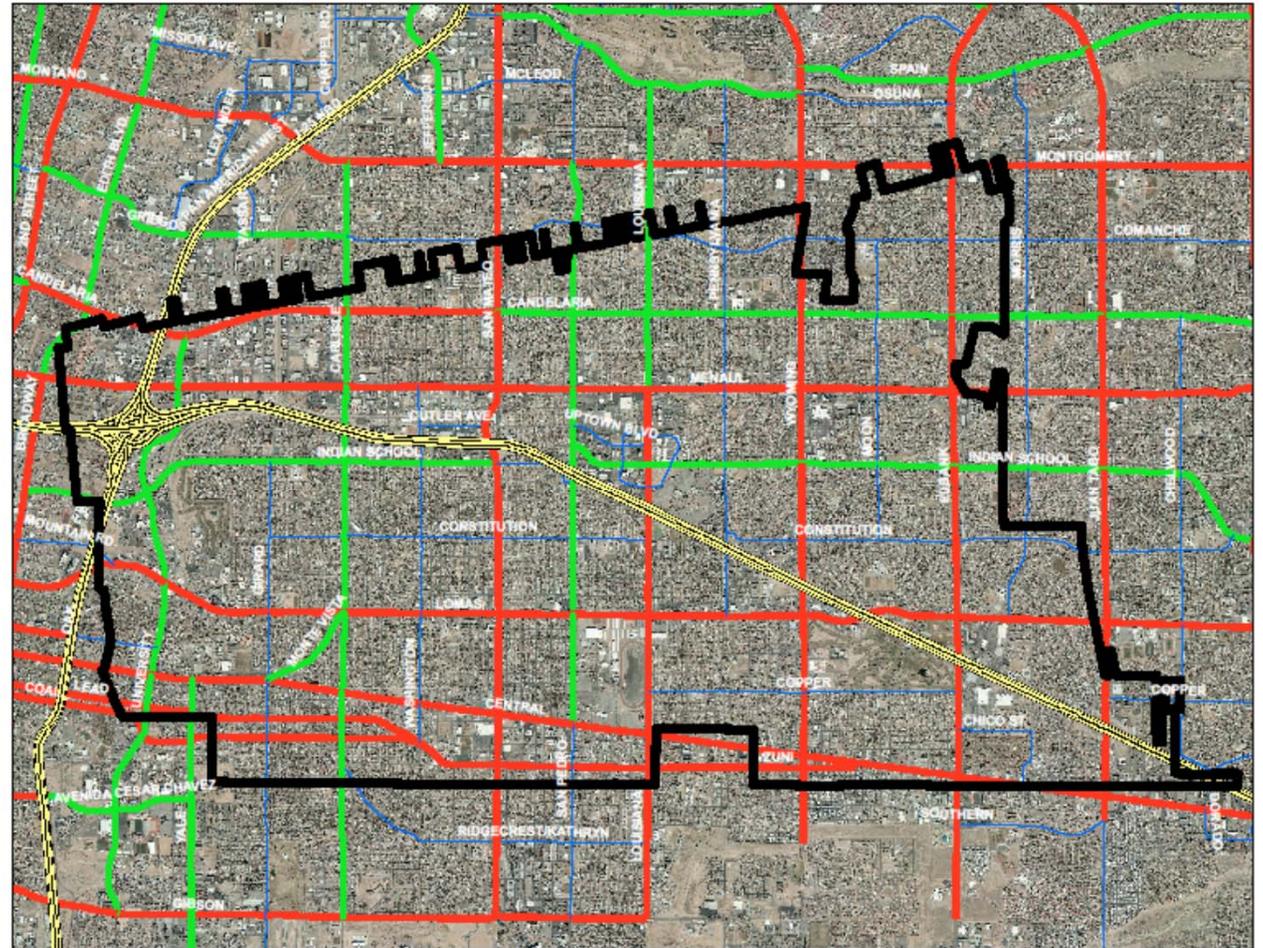


Santolina Boundary Over Albuquerque East Side Roadway Network

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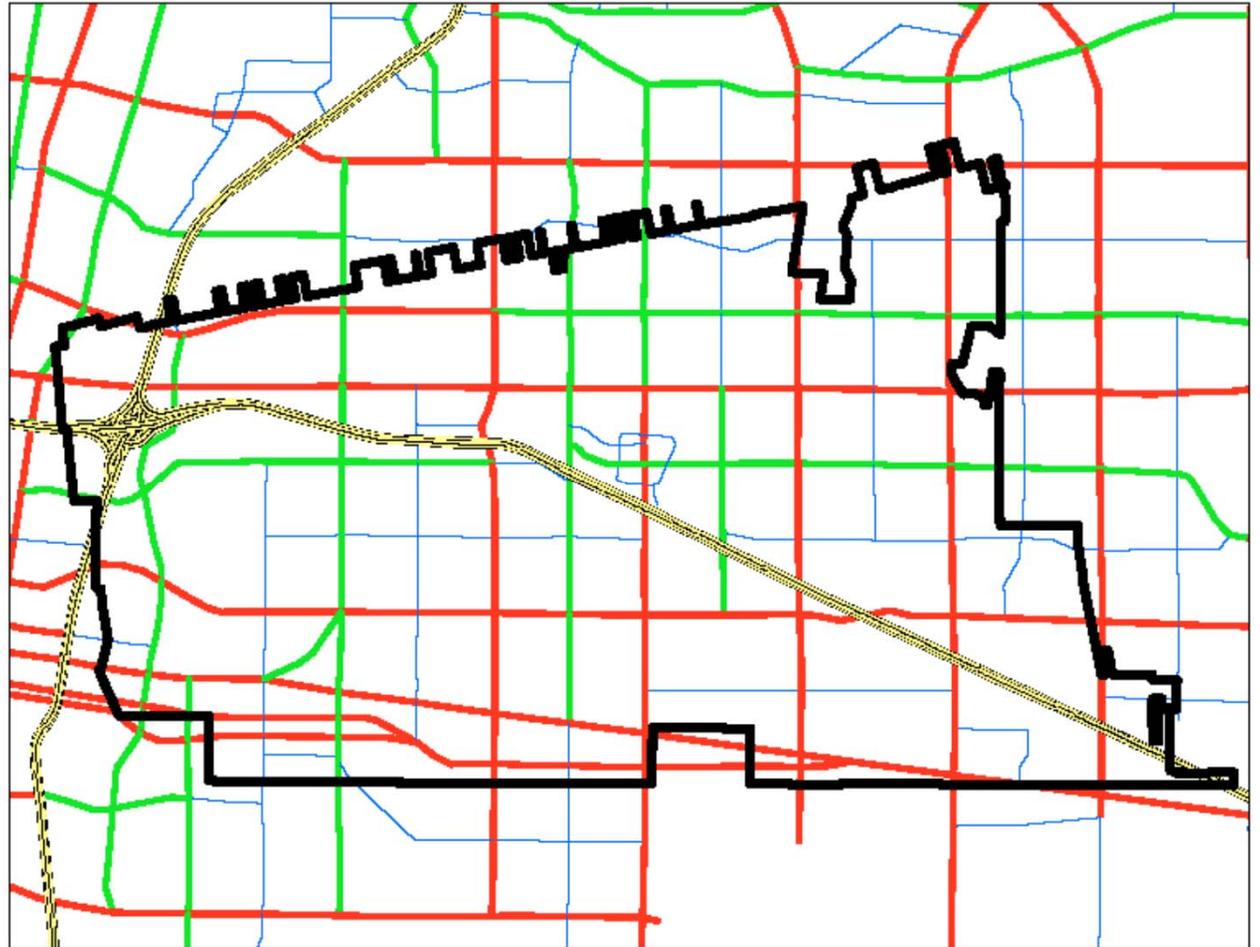


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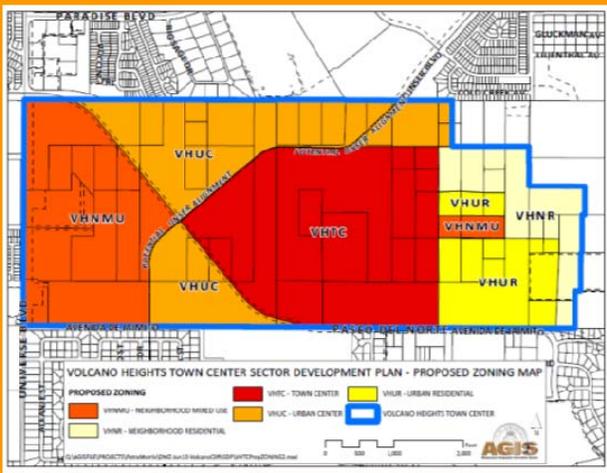


Transit Expansion

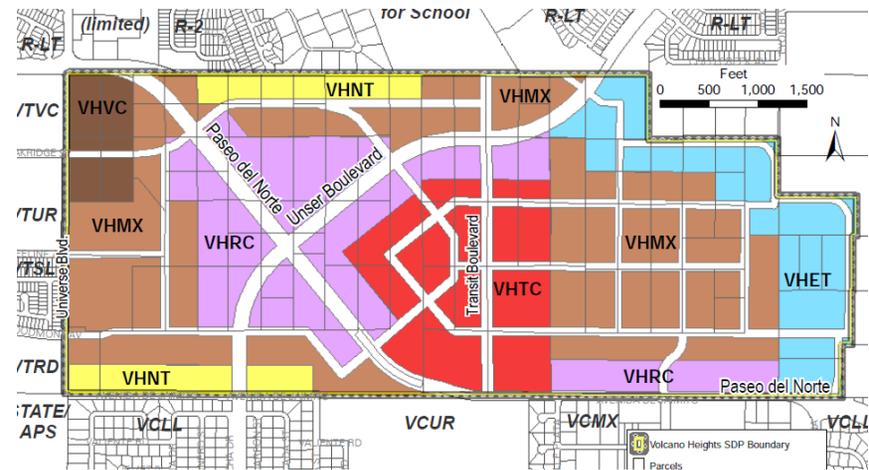
- Transit planning to guide and spur development rather than be reactive to development.
 - Full coordination with Rio Metro and ABQ Ride from the beginning (Level A).
 - Transit rights-of-way be required and incorporated into infrastructure expansion so that highway and transit infrastructure is developed concurrently.
 - Adopting minimum building heights and FARs in these areas and removing the maximum FARs.
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Volcano Heights Example

Volcano Heights Proposed Zoning Map



2010 Proposed Town Center



2013 Final Town Center