II. GENERAL COMMUNITY GOALS

The following General Community Goals were developed based on the results of the Foresthill Community Survey conducted at the beginning of the Community Plan update process (and included as Appendix A of the FDCP), and comments provided by residents and property owners who attended Town Hall meetings. Along with the Vision Statement, they provide the overall structure or framework for the individual elements of the Foresthill Divide Community Plan.



- To develop an interconnected trail system for hiking, biking and equestrian uses extending from the confluence of the North and Middle Forks of the American River easterly to Sugar Pine Reservoir.
- To preserve the community's outstanding visual and aesthetic features, including significant vistas, woodlands, stream and riparian zones, ponds and lakes, and important wildlife habitat areas.
- To protect the community against wildland fires, erosion, water quality degradation and localized flooding.
- To conserve and protect as valuable community assets the natural, cultural and historic resources of the Plan area.
- To encourage mixed-use development within the principal commercial district (i.e. from the Foresthill Divide Middle School easterly along Foresthill Road to the Foresthill Elementary School) and within the historic downtown area.
- To manage the land within the Plan boundaries as a limited and protected resource so that its future uses will be beneficial to the entire community.
- To insure that future development on the Divide will reflect and maintain the forested residential character of the community.
- To provide public facilities in a location that is central to the concentrations of population on the Divide to encourage the interaction of residents and a strong sense of community.
- To provide residential development that is reasonably integrated into the community rather than being physically isolated.

- To ensure that public services and facilities are available to serve the needs created by both existing and future residents and visitors to the Divide.
- To respect and protect existing agricultural uses and timberlands from residential encroachment.
- To encourage and maintain access to public lands, and to protect the boundaries of public lands from residential encroachment.
- To establish as a high priority for the community and the county the development of new employment opportunities and appropriate economic development.
- To recognize that amendments to the Foresthill Divide Community Plan should be minimal until and unless circumstances in the area have changed so significantly that an update of the Plan is necessary; piecemeal amendments to the Plan should be discouraged.