

About the SANTA VENETIA COMMUNITY PLAN

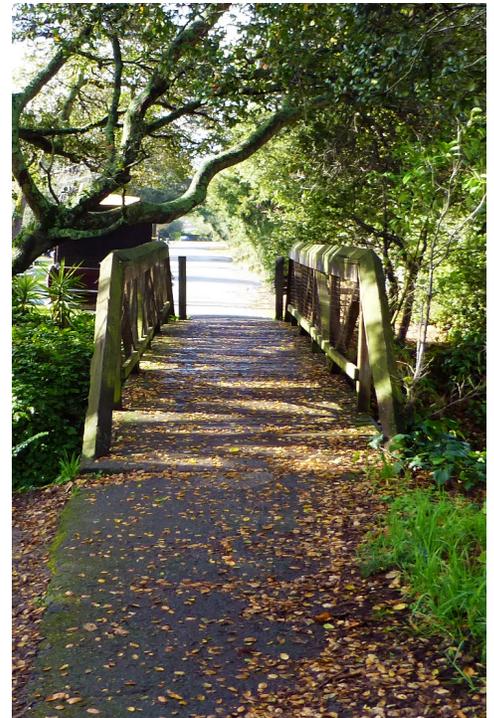
The Marin Countywide Plan establishes a framework that guides the County's decisions on issue such as land use, transportation, and environmental protection. The Plan applies to all unincorporated areas of Marin. Once completed, the **Santa Venetia Community Plan** will become a component of the Countywide Plan which:

- Highlights what is unique about Santa Venetia
- Identifies topics of greatest importance to residents
- Provides direction on how general Countywide Plan policies should be applied in Santa Venetia
- Guides landowners and County decision-makers
- Helps to shape present and future development in Santa Venetia.

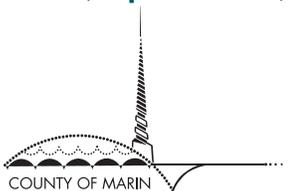
While community plans can include goals and policies on a wide variety of topics, **the Santa Venetia community plan will be most effective if it focuses on areas that are regulated by the County and, in particular, land use-related policies that can be applied to development as it occurs.** The plan will be less effective if it tries to address issues that are controlled by other government agencies or does not acknowledge rules and regulations already in place. Some examples of these issues and their associated agencies can be found on the reverse side.

An Effective Community Plan:

- Identifies topics that are unique to Santa Venetia and important to its residents.
- Includes policies and goals that are consistent with the Countywide Plan.
- Focuses on issues that the are relevant to what the County regulates.
- Looks for creative solutions and strategies to address existing problems.
- Does not duplicate policies and programs that are already in place.
- Anticipates long term issues that may impact the community in the future.
- Minimizes extensive background information or data that will quickly become outdated.
- Considers that budget, staffing, and legal constraints may limit the timing or feasibility of what can be accomplished by the County.
- Explores which community priorities can be implemented by the community itself.



The plan needs *your* thoughts and ideas. The conversation will continue on our new online community forum, **Open Marin**, at www.marincounty.org/openmarin.



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OUR SANTA VENETIA COMMUNITY

Quick Stats from Census 2010

Land Area: 3.7 square miles

Population: 4292

Median Age: 47.7

Under 20: 20%

Over 55: 38%

Total Housing Units: 1706

Owner-Occupied Units: 69.6%

Total Households: 1655

Households w/Children Under 18: 29%

Householder living alone: 28%

Average Household Size: 2.47

Public Agencies

Schools: San Rafael City Schools

Public Safety

Police: Marin County Sheriff's Office

Fire: San Rafael Fire Department.

Transportation

Buses: Golden Gate Transit District

Passenger Rail: SMART

State Highways: Caltrans

Flood Safety

Flood zones and flood insurance:

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

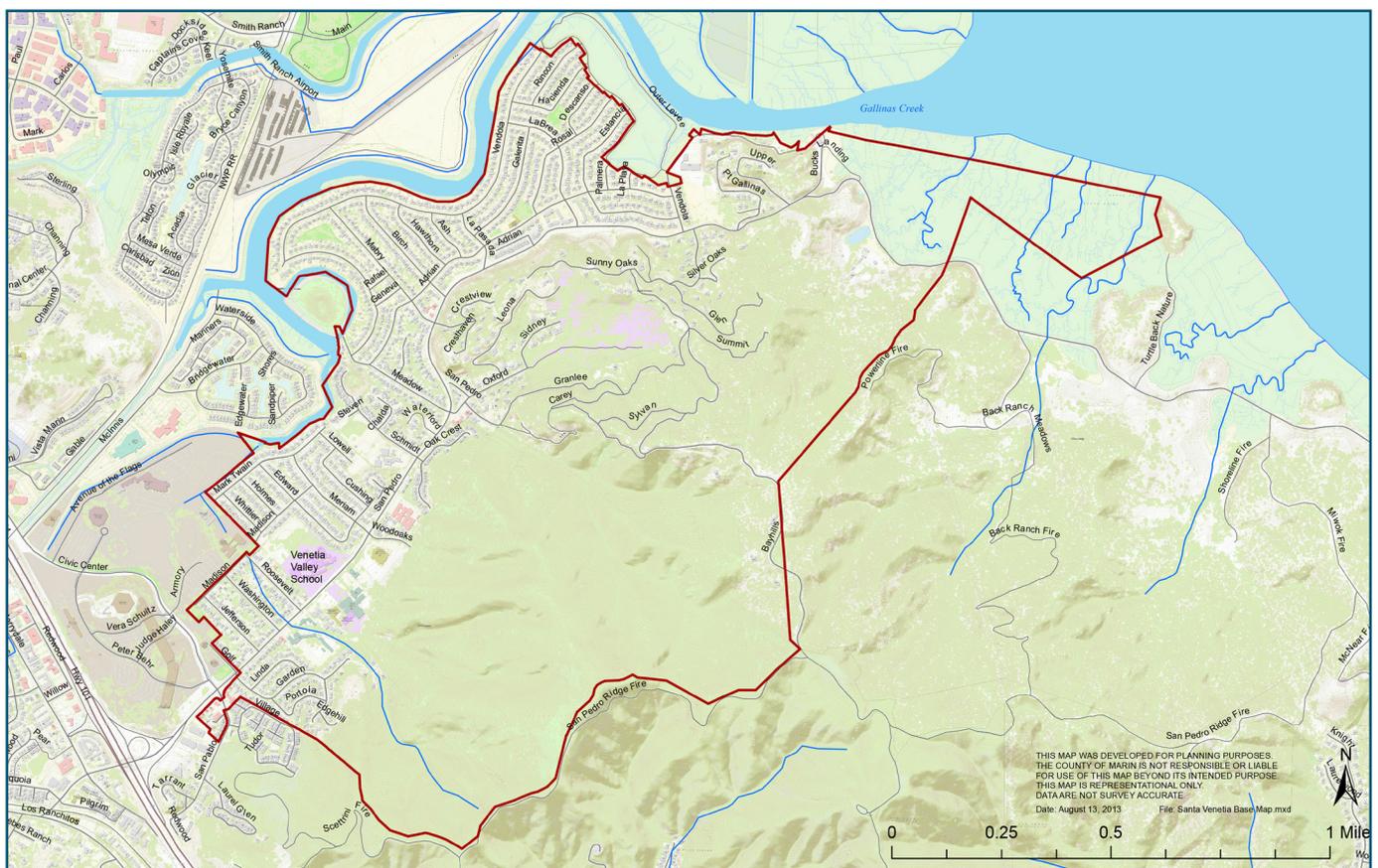
Local Flood Control District: Zone 7

Wastewater: Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District

Other County Departments

Department of Public Works

Parks and Open Space



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