

## LIST OF ISSUES FOR RURAL ROAD STANDARDS

### Introduction

- Purpose statement will reference General Plan principles and values for the rural community and description of the unique culture and character of the area
- Include a map of the rural area and a definition of rural roads
- Discuss approach for phasing of roadway improvements as traffic volume warrants
- Describe the relationship to Citywide road improvement standards
- Discussion of speed limits for the area and methodology as appropriate

### Standards

1. Cross sections for each roadway type, which will likely include unique cross sections for each arterial within the plan area
2. Lane width and design (narrow lanes to slow traffic)
3. Sidewalks and/or walking path design (if incorporated)
4. Bike lane and/or bike route design as incorporated
5. Traffic calming features unique to the rural area as appropriate (e.g., traffic circle)
6. Intersection improvements – designed to minimize pavement and multiple turn lanes
7. Median design – rural in character (no curb, natural landscape)
8. Street lighting with rural character that is limited to intersections for safety purposes (incorporating new technology to reduce light and glare impacts)
9. Driveway design/separation requirements with some flexibility
10. Ditch design that is rural in character (need to address ditch maintenance) - drainage improvements should solve problems, not create them.
11. Landscape that is all natural/native landscape with no irrigation system
12. Tree preservation methods and design features
13. Noise mitigation options (e.g., earthen berms, landscape)
14. Special turning radius for ag vehicles/equipment
15. Signage for rural roads (e.g., sharing the road with tractors)
16. Bus turnout design that is rural in character
17. Fencing and special setbacks (e.g., livestock areas)