

# WALNUT GROVE COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN

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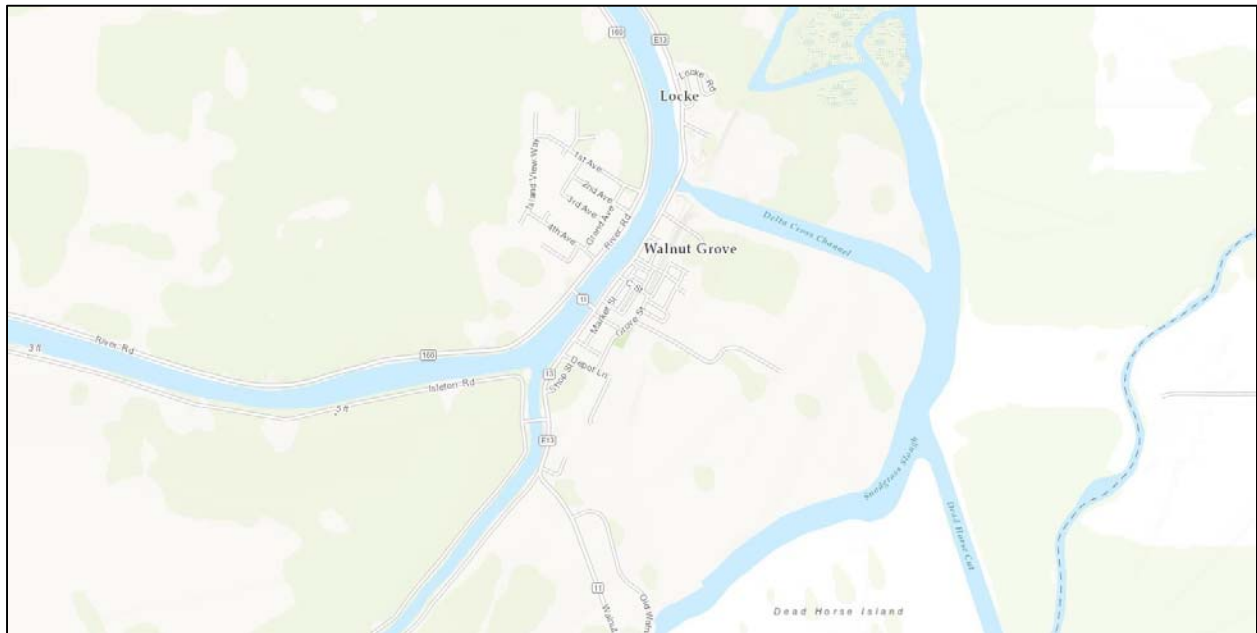
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# 1 INTRODUCTION

The Walnut Grove Community Action Plan (CAP) is an action-oriented planning document that reflects Walnut Grove community issues and priorities. It is intended to be used as a guide for both policy-makers and the community in enhancing and preserving the area's quality of life. The CAP focuses on community priorities over the next five to seven years and identifies actions necessary to achieve those priorities. The plan also develops a project schedule for each action.

## 1.1 Community Profile

The map below depicts Walnut Grove and its surrounding areas.



According to the 2010 Census, the total population within the Walnut Grove Census Designated Place (CDP), which also includes the town of Locke, is 1,542 people. Approximately 61% of Walnut Grove residents identify as White and approximately 44% as Hispanic or Latino (see Tables 1 and 2). Historically, Walnut Grove and Locke had a substantial Chinese-American and Japanese-American population. Walnut Grove's Chinese-American and Japanese-American Historic Districts are listed on the National Register of Historic Places and Locke, the only town built by the Chinese for the Chinese in the United States, is a National Historic Landmark. However, a majority of the Asian-American population in 2010 was of Filipino heritage.

**Table 1. Walnut Grove 2010 Population by Race**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
White	943	61.2%
Asian	110	7.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native	24	1.6%
Black or African American	15	1.0%
Some Other Race	402	26.1%
Two or More Races	48	3.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,542</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: 2010 U.S. Census

**Table 2. Walnut Grove 2010 Population by Hispanic or Latino Origin**

<b>Hispanic or Latino Origin</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Not Hispanic or Latino	869	56.4%
Hispanic or Latino	673	43.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,542</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: 2010 U.S. Census

The median age in the Walnut Grove CDP is approximately 41 years old. Table 3 shows the breakdown of the Walnut Grove population by age:

**Table 2. Walnut Grove 2010 Population By Age Range**

<b>Age Range</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Under 5 years	89	5.8%
5 to 14 years	217	14.1%
15 to 24 years	188	12.2%
25 to 34 years	158	10.2%
35 to 44 years	218	14.1%
45 to 54 years	224	14.5%
55 to 64 years	208	13.5%
65 to 74 years	121	7.8%
75 to 84 years	86	5.6%
85 years and over	33	2.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,542</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: 2010 U.S. Census

Of the 585 occupied housing units in the Walnut Grove CDP, three hundred and nine units (53%) were owner occupied and 276 (47%) were renter occupied. Two-thirds of households (67%) were families; twenty-eight percent were householders living alone. One hundred and eighty-two households (31%) had children under the age of 18. Walnut Grove's average household size was 2.62 individuals.

## 1.2 Community History

Like many of the historic communities along the Sacramento River, Walnut Grove has a rich history dating back over 150 years. In 1850, New York native John Wesley Sharp used the recent federal Swamp Land Act to acquire the land that would eventually become Walnut Grove. Sharp was enamored by the abundance of walnut and oak trees and strategic location at the junction of the Sacramento River and Georgiana Slough.

By the late 1870s, the town had a hotel, a covered wharf, warehouses, and a school and was an important shipping point. The Browns became a prominent family after purchasing most of Sharp's estate in 1880 and would eventually operate a hotel, a general store, a butcher shop, an asparagus packing house, and the Bank of Alex Brown. Over time, Walnut Grove boasted a diverse mix of commercial and cultural establishments including canneries, a theater, and several European-style hotels.

Walnut Grove is the only Sacramento River town south of Red Bluff to occupy both sides of the river. The town was initially connected by ferry until the Walnut Grove Bridge was built to connect the two commercial halves in 1916. In the 1920s, the west part of Walnut Grove was the preferred location for the town's prosperous residents. The importance of agriculture to Walnut Grove's economy was illustrated by west Walnut Grove homes along the river being given the name "Asparagus Row" or being owned by members of the "pearistocracy."

Walnut Grove's Chinese settlement was established in the mid-1870s on buildings overhanging the Sacramento River. After several fires, the settlement was relocated to the land side of the town. By the early 1900s, Walnut Grove supported the largest Chinatown in the Delta, which was comprised of two distinct residential groups (Zhongshan and Sze Yup) that identified themselves along social and linguistic lines. When a fire destroyed nearly 100 homes and businesses in 1915, the two Chinese communities separated. The Zhongshan chose to relocate and build a new Chinatown in Locke. The Sze Yup rebuilt Walnut Grove's Chinatown. Japanese residents, who had arrived in Walnut Grove in the late-1800s, created their own district north of the Chinese settlement, with C Street serving as a dividing line.

A second fire in 1937 destroyed much of Walnut Grove's Chinatown and today the majority of buildings in the Chinese district date from the post-1937 era. Several buildings represent a blend of Chinese influence combined with the Art Moderne style that emerged in the 1930s. The Chinese Freemason Hall, now the Tong Art Gallery, is a prominent landmark from the period.

The Walnut Grove Chinese-American Historic District, the Walnut Grove Japanese-American Historic District, the Walnut Grove Commercial/Residential Historic District, the John Stanford Brown House, the Imperial Theater, and the Walnut Grove Gakuen Hall are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Sacramento River Delta Historical Society produced a heritage walking tour of the town sights.

Today, Walnut Grove has evolved into five recognizable sections. The main business section is located on the high ridge of the levee along River Road. The second and lower area behind the levee includes some commercial activities, both historic Asian-American districts, and historic Browns Alley residences. A third area in east Walnut Grove is the industrial corridor along Walnut Grove-Thornton Road. The older Clampett Tract and newer Grand Island Estates neighborhoods form the bulk of west Walnut Grove, featuring limited industrial, service, and retail uses, churches, and most of the town's residential area. Finally, there is the area sometimes referred to as "Mansion Row", which consists of a series of large estates north of Clampett Tract along Highway 160.

## **1.3 Community Action Planning Project**

### ***1.3.1 Background***

Community action planning is a participatory process in which professionals work with community members to identify the community's common goals and priorities. They develop a list of issues and possible actions to deal those issues, and a community-supported road map for what is to be completed, who will complete it, and when it will be completed.

The purpose of Delta Community Action Planning project is to support and enhance historic Delta towns, referred to in the 2009 Delta Reform Act as Delta "legacy communities" (Public Resources Code Section 32301(f)). The legacy communities include Bethel Island, Clarksburg, Courtland, Freeport, Hood, Isleton, Knightsen, Locke, Rio Vista, Ryde, and Walnut Grove. The Delta Stewardship Council's 2013 Delta Plan calls for planning efforts in the legacy communities in Recommendation DP R3:

#### ***Plan for Vitality and Preservation of Legacy Communities***

*Local governments, in cooperation with the Delta Protection Commission and Delta Conservancy, should prepare plans for each community that emphasize its distinctive character, encourage historic preservation, identify opportunities to encourage tourism, serve surrounding lands, or develop other appropriate uses, and reduce flood risks.*

In 2015, the Delta Protection Commission (Commission) launched a Delta Community Action Planning pilot process in three communities: Courtland, Walnut Grove, and Clarksburg. The focus of the effort was on local, feasible actions. Commission and County staff recognized that there are many outside forces impacting Delta communities that are outside the scope of community action planning process. At the same time, articulating what is unique and special about Delta communities, and articulating community desires for the future, may have value for influencing larger regional policy.

The Commission is prepared to assist the communities with planning and policy expertise, serve as a broker in helping the community use the action plan to identify and apply for funding sources such as grants (see Appendix C), and serve as a liaison between Delta communities and agencies that must be involved to accomplish these actions.

### ***1.3.2 Planning Process***

The Walnut Grove Community Action Planning process took place between fall 2015 and spring 2016. The planning process employed different methods of engaging members of the community, specifically interviews and three community workshops.

#### **Interviews**

Commission and Sacramento State's Center for Collaborative Policy (CCP) staff laid the groundwork for the community workshops by interviewing ten residents to develop an understanding of community issues. The interviewees were selected through consultation with local officials and community members.

#### **Workshops**

Walnut Grove community members joined Commission, Sacramento County, and CCP staff at a series of three workshops to develop a plan of actions aimed at improving the quality of life in and around Walnut Grove. The workshops were advertised through mail, Commission website, email, and flyers at community meeting spots.

##### ***First Workshop (November 3, 2015)***

At the first workshop, community members heard the results of the interviews and began to identify a number of needs related to community decision-making, community services, the local economy and environment, public safety, traffic, and walkability. They also identified a number of possible projects that could help satisfy those needs.

##### ***Second Workshop (December 1, 2015)***

The community reviewed a draft Commission document that discussed projects identified in the first workshop, including key tasks, necessary partners, and potential external funding sources. Community members developed project ideas further and considered goals and priorities.

##### ***Third Workshop (March 16, 2016)***

Based on the second workshop, the Commission shared a draft community action plan containing goals and possible actions for each goal, with potential next steps, potential partners, potential resources and funding, and timeframe for each. Workshop participants provided feedback, and then decided which actions they wanted to move forward, and how



they wanted to move forward. Volunteers offered to assist with plan implementation and subsequent meetings.

## 2 COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

Interview and workshop participants identified the following priorities for the Walnut Grove community (top priorities are in **bold**):

1. **Address traffic speed and stopping at the Highway 160/Walnut Grove Bridge intersection, control traffic speed on River Road**, and improve parking signs
2. Install pedestrian lighting, sidewalks through business zone, and a boardwalk on the river side of levee
3. Develop a public restroom
4. Preserve Walnut Grove history through re-use of historic buildings and establishing a museum and a self-guided tour
5. Develop a forum for the community to discuss issues

Since the final workshop, the County and Caltrans installed two additional stop signs at the Walnut Grove Bridge/Highway 160 intersection.

Courtland and Walnut Grove participants both addressed the following priorities during the community workshops:

1. Promote public safety through law enforcement and emergency communications
2. Improve internet, phone, and electrical service
3. Provide access to quality medical care

The intent of the Community Action Plan is to help the community focus on top priorities, yet give community leadership the flexibility to address other actions once priority actions are implemented and goals are reached.

## 3 GOALS AND ACTIONS

The community goals and actions listed in this section will be implemented as a collaborative effort between Walnut Grove residents, property owners, and Commission and County staff. Each action includes potential next steps, potential partners, timeframe, and potential resources and funding.

**Potential Next Steps** describes which initial steps are needed to complete the action. These steps will often clarify partnerships, timeframes, and resources and funding needed.

The description of **Potential Partners** is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather indicate which agencies and organizations would probably need to be involved in implementing the

action. Contact information for relevant Federal, State, County, and local agencies and utilities is provided in Appendix B, Resources List.

**Timeframe** is defined as follows:

- Short-term actions can be completed in less than two years.
- Medium-term actions can be completed within a two- to five-year timeframe.
- Long-term actions will take at least five years to complete.

The inventory of **Potential Resources and Funding** provides suggestions on which agencies, organizations, and funding sources may be available to help implement the actions. Web pages describing potential funding sources are identified in Appendix C.

The following goals and actions are divided between those identified during the Walnut Grove workshops and those jointly identified during the Courtland and Walnut Grove workshops.

## 3.1 Walnut Grove Goals and Actions

**GOAL W-1: Enhance safety and improve access to parking through transportation improvements.**

**Action W-1a:** Develop list of community maintenance and traffic management projects for potential County and Caltrans maintenance funding. Projects may include crosswalks, lowering speed limit on Highway 160, parking directional signs, traffic calming measures (particularly around River Road/C Street and Walnut Grove Bridge/Highway 160 intersections), and tree maintenance.

***Potential Next Steps:***

- *Consult with partners about current and future efforts.*
- *Determine preferred community projects for submission to appropriate partners.*

***Timeframe:***

*Short-term (<2 years) to Medium-term (2-5 years)*

***Potential Partners:***

- *Caltrans*
- *Delta Protection Commission*
- *Sacramento County Department of Transportation*
- *Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA)*

***Potential Resources and Funding:***

- *Caltrans – Active Transportation Program, State Highway Operation and Protection Program, Sustainable Transportation Planning Program, Transportation Enhancement Program*
- *Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)*
- *Sacramento County*

**GOAL W-2:** Encourage pedestrian and bicycle travel through improvements, particularly through enhanced historic lighting, connecting the sidewalk network, and developing a boardwalk along the river.

**Action W-2a:** Develop and implement plan for major pedestrian and bicycle improvement projects, including bicycle lanes/trails, boardwalk/sidewalk, crosswalks, landscaping, lighting, public art, sign program, stairs, and street furniture.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- Consult with partners about current and future efforts.
- Determine community goals for pedestrian/bicycle plan.
- Examine existing infrastructure.
- Examine potential model communities for street design.
- Consult with nearby towns about consistency in streetscape design.
- Develop scope of work for plan and identify funding sources.
- Include improvement projects in appropriate County documents.

**Timeframe:**

Medium-term (2-5 years) to Long-term (>5 years)

**Potential Partners:**

- Caltrans
- Central Valley Flood Protection Board
- Delta Protection Commission
- Reclamation Districts 3, 38, 369, 554, 556, 563, and 2111<sup>1</sup>
- SACOG
- Sacramento County – Department of Transportation, PER Division, Regional Parks, Sustainability Coordinator
- SHRA
- US Army Corps of Engineers

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- California Capital Access Program
- ADA Financing Program
- California Energy Commission
- Caltrans – Active Transportation Program, State Highway Operation and Protection Program, Sustainable Transportation Planning Program, Transportation Enhancement Program
- California Wildlife Conservation Board Public Access Program
- Citizens Institute on Rural Design
- California Department of Water Resources Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program
- SACOG
- SHRA
- Sacramento County Regional Parks
- Teichert Foundation

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<sup>1</sup> A map of reclamation districts is available at: <http://gis.lfpz.water.ca.gov/lfpz/>.

**GOAL W-3: Support Walnut Grove businesses through amenities.**

**Action W-3a:** Provide a public restroom that is well-managed and maintained.

***Potential Next Steps:***

*Consult with partners to identify management and maintenance needs and potential options.*

***Potential Partners:***

- *Delta Protection Commission*
- *Sacramento County – Board of Supervisors, District 5, Office of Economic Development and Marketing*
- *SHRA*
- *Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association*
- *Walnut Grove Rotary Club*

***Timeframe:***

*Short-term (<2 years)*

***Potential Resources and Funding:***

- *Sacramento County*
- *SHRA*

**GOAL W-4: Preserve and celebrate the historic character of Walnut Grove.**

**Action W-4a:** Develop plan for the preservation and adaptive re-use of historic buildings, including a potential museum celebrating Delta and Walnut Grove history.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- *Consult with partners on current and future efforts.*
- *Determine priority tasks, including inventorying historic buildings and determining possible uses, and potential funding sources.*

**Timeframe:**

*Medium-term (2-5 years) to Long term (>5 years)*

**Potential Partners:**

- *Delta Protection Commission*
- *California State Parks*
- *Property Owners*
- *Sacramento County PER Division*
- *SHRA*
- *Sacramento River Delta Historical Society (SRDHS)*
- *Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association*
- *Walnut Grove Rotary Club*

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- *California Cultural and Historical Endowment*
- *California State Parks*
- *National Endowment for the Humanities*
- *National Park Service*
- *National Trust for Historic Preservation*
- *Sacramento County*
- *SHRA*
- *Sacramento-San Joaquin County Delta Conservancy*
- *Teichert Foundation*

**Action W-4b:** Develop an updated self-guided tour of Walnut Grove.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- Consult with partners on current and future efforts.
- Determine priority tasks, including review of past self-guided tours, inventorying historic buildings, and how to display the tour (e.g., paper, app, signs), and potential funding sources (if needed).

**Potential Partners:**

- Delta Protection Commission
- California State Parks
- Property Owners
- Sacramento County PER Division
- SHRA
- SRDHS
- Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association
- Walnut Grove Rotary Club

**Timeframe:**

Short-term (<2 years)

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- California Cultural and Historical Endowment
- California State Parks
- National Park Service
- National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Sacramento County
- SHRA
- Teichert Foundation

**GOAL W-5:** Encourage open discussion and resolution of community issues through a new representative forum.

**Action W-5a:** Create and maintain a representative forum for discussing and resolving important community issues.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- Consult with partners about current efforts and goals.
- Determine community goals for forum, including how to make the forum representative of residents and businesses.
- Develop charter for forum.
- Utilize different methods to notify community about meetings.
- Convene forum.
- Identify forum leadership.

**Potential Partners:**

- Delta Protection Commission
- Sacramento County – Board of Supervisors, District 5, PER Division
- Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association
- Community Groups

**Timeframe:**

Short-term (<2 years)

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

Sacramento County

## 3.2 Joint Courtland and Walnut Grove Goals and Actions

**GOAL J-1:** Promote the safety of Courtland and Walnut Grove through law enforcement and emergency communications.

**Action J-1a:** Support greater law enforcement presence in Courtland and Walnut Grove.

***Potential Next Steps:***

- Consult with partners about potential options for increasing law enforcement presence.
- Determine community goals for greater law enforcement presence.

***Timeframe:***

*Medium-term (2-5 years)*

***Potential Partners:***

- Courtland Fire Protection District
- Delta Protection Commission
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept.
- Walnut Grove Fire District
- Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association
- Walnut Grove Rotary Club
- Yolo County Sheriff's Department

***Potential Resources and Funding:***

- Sacramento County
- Target Brands

**Action J-1b:** Increase communication between law enforcement and the community members in Courtland and Walnut Grove through regular community meetings.

***Potential Next Steps:***

*Consult with partners about setting up meeting times.*

***Timeframe:***

*Short-term (<2 years)*

***Potential Partners:***

- Courtland Fire Protection District
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept.
- Walnut Grove Fire District
- Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association
- Walnut Grove Rotary Club
- Community Groups

***Potential Resources and Funding:***

*None Identified*

**Action J-1c:** Investigate options for supplementing law enforcement for Courtland and Walnut Grove through community efforts, including neighborhood watch.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- Consult with law enforcement about potential options.
- Consult with existing and proposed neighborhood watch groups.
- Determine community goals for supplementing law enforcement and preferred options.

**Timeframe:**

Medium-term (2-5 years)

**Potential Partners:**

- Courtland Fire Protection District
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept.
- Walnut Grove Fire District
- Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association
- Walnut Grove Rotary Club
- Community Groups

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- Sacramento County
- Target Brands

**Action J-1d:** Prepare and implement plan for using sirens and electronic communication in Courtland and Walnut Grove to notify the public of emergencies.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- Consult with partners about current and future efforts in emergency communications.
- Inform community members about emergency communication procedures.

**Timeframe:**

Short-term (<2 years)

**Potential Partners:**

- Courtland Fire Protection District
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept.
- Sacramento Regional Fire/EMS Communications Center
- Walnut Grove Fire District

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- Courtland Fire Protection District
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Dept.
- Sacramento Regional Fire/EMS Communications Center
- Walnut Grove Fire District



**Action J-1e:** Utilize Nextdoor or similar social media website/app to increase public communication about safety concerns in Courtland and Walnut Grove.

**Potential Next Steps:**

- *Create or modify forums for community discussion in Courtland and Walnut Grove.*
- *Establish community moderator for website/app.*
- *Inform community members about website/app.*

**Potential Partners:**

*None Identified*

**Timeframe:**

*Short-term (<2 years)*

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

*None Identified*

**GOAL J-2:** Strengthen cellular and internet access in the Delta.

**Action J-2a:** Promote cellular and internet access in the Delta through State and County regulations.

**Potential Next Steps:**

*Consult with partners about opportunities to encourage greater cellular and internet access in the Delta through State and County regulations.*

**Potential Partners:**

- *Cellular and Cable Companies*
- *California Public Utilities Commission*
- *Delta Protection Commission*
- *Sacramento County PER Division*

**Timeframe:**

*Short-term (<2 years)*

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- *California Emerging Technology Fund*
- *Cellular and Cable Companies*
- *Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program*

**Action J-2b:** Promote internet access in the Delta through new or enhanced broadband and WiFi locations.

**Potential Next Steps:**

*Consult with partners to develop plan for new or enhanced broadband and WiFi locations, including specific projects, phasing, and funding.*

**Potential Partners:**

- Local Businesses
- Property Owners
- River Delta Unified School District
- Sacramento County PER Division
- Sacramento Public Library
- US Department of Agriculture (USDA)

**Timeframe:**

*Medium-term (2-5 years)*

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- Federal Communications Commission – Connect America Fund, Universal Service Program for Schools and Libraries (E-Rate)
- Lighting Up California Libraries
- USDA – Community Connect Grants, Farm Bill Broadband Loans

**Action J-2c:** Support efforts to improve electric service and reduce outages in the Delta.

**Potential Next Steps:**

*Consult with partners to identify potential strategies to improve electric service and reduce the number, extent, and duration of outages.*

**Potential Partners:**

- California Public Utilities Commission
- Delta Protection Commission
- Pacific Gas and Electric
- Sacramento County PER Division
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District

**Timeframe:**

*Short-term (<2 years)*

**Potential Resources and Funding:**

- Pacific Gas and Electric
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District

**GOAL J-3: Provide Delta residents with access to quality medical care.**

**Action J-3a:** Conduct outreach to Delta residents about access to health insurance coverage.

***Potential Next Steps:***

*Consult with partners to identify potential outreach efforts.*

***Potential Partners:***

- *California State Office of Rural Health*
- *Covered California*
- *Dr. Henry Go*
- *Health Care Systems (e.g., Dignity Health, Kaiser Permanente, Sutter Health, UC Davis)*
- *Sacramento County Public Health*

***Timeframe:***

*Short-term (<2 years)*

***Potential Resources and Funding:***

- *Covered California*
- *Health Care Systems*
- *Teichert Foundation*

**Action J-3b:** Support efforts to develop a federally qualified health center in the Delta.

***Potential Next Steps:***

*Consult with partners about current efforts and identify steps to assist effort.*

***Potential Partners:***

- *California State Office of Rural Health*
- *Dr. Henry Go*
- *Kristen Montero, FNP*
- *Sacramento County Public Health*

***Timeframe:***

*Short-term (<2 years)*

***Potential Resources and Funding:***

- *Federal Health Center Program*
- *Health Care Systems*
- *Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program*
- *Teichert Foundation*

## **4 IMPLEMENTATION AND FURTHER REVIEW**

At the final workshop on March 16, 2016, participants identified potential community champions for each group of actions and decided to organize a future meeting to update community members and involve them in decision-making. The Commission and County will work with the community to identify, recruit, and confirm community champions, as needed, and develop a plan and timeline for each group of actions. They will act as a liaison with federal, state, and local agencies.

The Commission and County (or designated community organization) will hold an annual workshop to review the CAP to assess the status of each action, determine if actions need to be modified or eliminated, and decide whether to begin work on long-term actions. Other potential actions will be reassessed to determine whether to identify implementation steps.

# APPENDIX A: WALNUT GROVE ISSUES AND IDEAS

The following presents a “big picture” snapshot of some of the key themes heard from Walnut Grove and other Delta community members during interviews.

## **What residents love about life in the Delta**

- The Delta! – natural, recreational, and scenic values.
- Sense of community, pace of life.
- Distinct and unique communities.
- Diverse cultural histories.

## **What residents want for the future**

- Maintain quality, character, and pace of Delta life.
- Expand job and housing opportunities.
- Retain younger generations of Delta families.
- Resolution on big issues: flood insurance, Delta Tunnels, aquatic invasive species, etc.

## **Opportunities to build on Delta History**

- Rehabilitation and re-use of historic buildings (example: Walnut Grove Iron Works).
- Tourism related to culture, nature and agriculture.
- Established festivals, fairs, and events.

## **Opportunities to facilitate recreation and tourism**

- Use rail corridors for bike and pedestrian recreation facilities.
- Improve walkability and parking in town centers.
- Improve docks and boardwalks to help more boaters use services in Delta towns.
- Build more boat ramps and parking for non-motorized boaters (kayaks, canoes, etc.).

## **Attracting more visitors, revenue, and services**

- Expand options for lodging such as hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, etc.
- Expand electronic infrastructure for computer and telephone coverage.
- Enhance the walkability, lighting, and character of town centers.

## **Moving in and through Delta Communities**

- Increasing commuter and through-traffic is hard on roads and affects safety.
- Where highways meet town centers, there are signage, visibility, and safety concerns.
- There is adequate parking off main streets, but it is not visible or well known.

## **On residents' minds**

- With Dr. Go's potential retirement, recruiting and retaining health care professionals and services.
- Continued and expanded clean-up of nuisances (abandoned boats and buildings, dumping).
- Protecting and enhancing winter bird habitat in the Delta.
- Emergency responders have big areas of responsibility and limited resources.

### **How Delta communities plan and govern themselves**

- Community leaders and organizations lead special projects such as saving and improving libraries, or building boat docks and waterfront infrastructure.
- Residents value the efforts of the County Board of Supervisors, and also value their autonomy as unincorporated jurisdictions.
- There are several well established and productive community organizations and councils; these would be strengthened by new membership.
- The Sacramento County Delta Community Area Plan (1983) needs an update.

### **Items and Ideas for Walnut Grove**

- How to protect Japantown and Chinatown histories as demographics change.
- How to manage the public restroom for safety and use.
- Stop signs, signage, and speed limits near Highway 160 Bridge.
- Improve sidewalks, lighting, and other pedestrian amenities.
- Install public utility electricity south of the 160 Bridge for public infrastructure and businesses.
- Support and advertise growing arts communities and events.
- Seek opportunities to connect East Walnut Grove and West Walnut Grove communities.
- Improve safety for Fourth of July.
- Address challenges related to drinking water supply: aging infrastructure, different systems, and costs.

## APPENDIX B: RESOURCES LIST

The following is a list of relevant contact information for those identified in Section 3, Goals and Action.

<b>ORGANIZATION/NAME</b>	<b>PHONE</b>	<b>WEB/EMAIL</b>
<b>Sacramento County Board of Supervisors</b>		<b>www.bos.saccounty.net</b>
Don Nottoli, Supervisor, District 5	(916) 874-5465	nottolid@saccounty.net
<b>Delta Protection Commission</b>		<b>www.delta.ca.gov</b>
Blake Roberts, Senior Environmental Planner	(916) 375-4237	blake.roberts@delta.ca.gov
<b>Sacramento County Community Development Department</b>		
<b>Planning and Environmental Review Division</b>		<b>www.per.saccounty.net</b>
Leighann Moffitt, Planning Director	(916) 874-6221	sacplan@saccounty.net
<b>Infill Development Program</b>		<b>www.infill.saccounty.net</b>
Judy Robinson, Sustainability & Infill Manager	(916) 874-4551	robinsonju@saccounty.net
<b>Sacramento County Dept. of Transportation</b>		<b>www.sacdot.com</b>
Mike Penrose, Director	(916) 874-6291	trdteam@saccounty.net
<b>Sacramento County Public Health Division</b>		<b>www.dhhs.saccounty.net/PUB</b>
Dr. Olivia Kasirye, MD, County Health Officer	(916) 875-5881	sacdhs@saccounty.net
<b>Sacramento County Regional Parks</b>		<b>www.regionalparks.saccounty.net</b>
Jeff Leatherman, Parks Director	(916) 875-6961	leathermanj@saccounty.net
<b>Sacramento County Sheriff's Department</b>		<b>www.sacsheriff.com</b>
Sheriff Scott Jones	(916) 874-7146	sheriff@sacsheriff.com
<b>Sacramento Housing &amp; Redevelopment Agency</b>		<b>www.shra.org</b>
Geoffrey Ross, Assistant Director, Development and Federal Programs	(916) 440-1357	gross@shra.org
Brad Satterwhite, Community Development Analyst, Housing & Community Development	(916) 449-6242	bsatterwhite@shra.org

<b>Sacramento Public Library</b>	<b>www.saclibrary.org</b>
Jarrid Keller, Assistant Director – Infrastructure (916) 264-2819	jkeller@saclibrary.org

<b>ORGANIZATION/NAME</b>	<b>PHONE</b>	<b>WEB</b>
California Office of Rural Health		<a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/rural/Pages/StateOfficeofRuralHealth.aspx">www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/rural/Pages/StateOfficeofRuralHealth.aspx</a>
California State Parks		<a href="http://www.parks.ca.gov">www.parks.ca.gov</a>
Caltrans, District 3	(530) 741-4572	<a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/d3/">www.dot.ca.gov/d3/</a>
Courtland Fire Protection District David Welch, Fire Chief	(916) 775-1210	<a href="http://courtlandfire.com">courtlandfire.com</a>
Covered California		<a href="http://hbex.coveredca.com">hbex.coveredca.com</a>
Frontier Communications		<a href="http://www.frontier.com">www.frontier.com</a>
Pacific Gas and Electric		<a href="http://www.pge.com">www.pge.com</a>
River Delta Unified School District	(707) 374-1700	<a href="http://www.riverdelta.org">www.riverdelta.org</a>
Sacramento Area Council of Governments	(916) 321-9000	<a href="http://www.sacog.org">www.sacog.org</a>
Sacramento Municipal Utilities District		<a href="http://www.smud.org">www.smud.org</a>
Sacramento Regional Fire/EMS Communications Center	(916) 228-3070	<a href="http://www.srfecc.ca.gov">www.srfecc.ca.gov</a>
US Army Corps of Engineers	(916) 557-5100	<a href="http://www.spk.usace.army.mil">www.spk.usace.army.mil</a>
US Department of Agriculture Rural Development	(530) 792-5800	<a href="http://www.rd.usda.gov/ca">www.rd.usda.gov/ca</a>
Walnut Grove Fire Protection District	(916) 776-1113	
Walnut Grove Merchants and Homeowners Association	(916) 776-1945	
Yolo County Sheriff	(530) 666-8282	<a href="http://www.yolocountysheriff.com">www.yolocountysheriff.com</a>



## APPENDIX C: POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES

The following is information on potential funding sources for those actions identified in Section 3, Goals and Action.

ORGANIZATION	WEB
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	<a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/localassistance/">www.dot.ca.gov/localassistance/</a>
California Department of Water Resources	<a href="http://www.water.ca.gov/funding/">www.water.ca.gov/funding/</a>
California Emerging Technology Fund	<a href="http://www.cetfund.org">www.cetfund.org</a>
California Energy Commission	<a href="http://www.energy.ca.gov/newnav/funding_links.html">www.energy.ca.gov/newnav/funding_links.html</a>
California Pollution Control Financing Authority California Capital Access Program	<a href="http://www.treasurer.ca.gov/cpcfca/calcap/">www.treasurer.ca.gov/cpcfca/calcap/</a>
California Wildlife Conservation Board	<a href="http://wcb.ca.gov/Programs/Public-Access/Grants">wcb.ca.gov/Programs/Public-Access/Grants</a>
Citizens Institute on Rural Design	<a href="http://www.rural-design.org/">www.rural-design.org/</a>
Covered California	<a href="http://hbex.coveredca.com/outreach-n-edu/">hbex.coveredca.com/outreach-n-edu/</a>
Dignity Health	<a href="http://dignityhealth.org/about-us/community-health/grant-programs/community-grants">dignityhealth.org/about-us/community-health/grant-programs/community-grants</a>
Federal Communications Commission Connect America Fund	<a href="http://www.fcc.gov/general/connect-america-fund-caf">www.fcc.gov/general/connect-america-fund-caf</a>
Federal Communications Commission Universal Service Program for Schools and Libraries (E-Rate)	<a href="http://www.fcc.gov/general/e-rate-schools-libraries-usf-program">www.fcc.gov/general/e-rate-schools-libraries-usf-program</a>
Health Resources and Services Administration	<a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/index.html">www.hrsa.gov/grants/index.html</a>
Kaiser Permanente	<a href="http://share.kaiserpermanente.org/article/grants-overview/">share.kaiserpermanente.org/article/grants-overview/</a>
Pacific Gas and Electric	<a href="http://www.pge.com/en_US/residential/in-your-community/education-programs/grants-and-scholarships/grants-and-scholarships.page">www.pge.com/en_US/residential/in-your-community/education-programs/grants-and-scholarships/grants-and-scholarships.page</a>
Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)	<a href="http://www.sacog.org/funding">www.sacog.org/funding</a>

ORGANIZATION	WEB
Sacramento Municipal Utility District	<a href="http://www.smud.org/en/business/customer-service/support-and-services/economic-development-services/incentives-and-programs.htm">www.smud.org/en/business/customer-service/support-and-services/economic-development-services/incentives-and-programs.htm</a>
Sutter Health	<a href="http://www.checksutterfirst.org/community/programs.html">www.checksutterfirst.org/community/programs.html</a>
Target Brands	<a href="http://corporate.target.com/corporate-responsibility/grants">corporate.target.com/corporate-responsibility/grants</a>
Teichert Foundation	<a href="http://www.teichert.com/teichert-foundation/">www.teichert.com/teichert-foundation/</a>
UC Davis Health System	<a href="http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/sponsorship/">www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/sponsorship/</a>
US Department of Agriculture	<a href="http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=GRANTS_LOANS">www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=GRANTS_LOANS</a>

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