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PLAN SUMMARY

Chapter 1. Introduction:

Describes the location and surrounding context for the City of Cottonwood. Summarizes the plan structure and planning process. Introduces foundation organizing principles for the plan.

Chapter 2. Vision and Guiding Principles:

Articulates the community vision for Cottonwood over the next decade, and provides a series of Guiding Principles that serve as a bridge between the Vision Statement and the Goals and Objectives set forth in each of the *General Plan 2025* elements.

Chapter 3. Land Use Element:

Designates the proposed general distribution, location and extent of such uses of the land for housing, business, industry, agriculture, recreation, education, public buildings and grounds, open space, and such other categories of public and private uses of land that may be appropriate in the City.

Describes sub-area planning strategies.

Chapter 4. Circulation Element:

Consists of the general location and extent of existing and proposed highways, arterial streets and collector streets. Describes pedestrian planning, bicycle routes, transit and other modes of transportation. Expands on various system planning elements. Displays traffic count data. Identifies proposed transportation projects.

Chapter 5. Open Space and Parks Element:

Describes major open space areas, recreational resources and designations of access points to open space areas; an analysis of forecasted open space needs; and implementation strategies to promote a regional system of integrated open space.

Chapter 6. Growth Area Element:

Identifies potential development areas that support the efficient use of existing infrastructure and/or the coherent expansion of infrastructure systems, as well as multi-modal transportation options, including bicycling and walking, and a planned concentration of various uses, such as residential, commercial, office, tourism and employment type uses.

Chapter 7. Environmental Planning Element:

Contains analysis, policies and strategies to address anticipated effects, if any, associated with potential future development as it relates to air quality, water quality and natural resource conditions.

Chapter 8. Water Resources Element:

Describes surface water, groundwater and effluent sources. Provides analysis of how the future growth projected in the general plan will be adequately served by the legally and physically available water supply or a plan to obtain additional necessary water supplies.



Chapter 9. Cost of Development Element:

Identifies funding mechanisms used to finance public service needs generated by new development and identifies related policies to ensure such mechanisms are applied in a beneficial manner that is fair and equitable.

Chapter 10. Housing Element:

Identifies key housing issues and related resources, including housing agencies, programs and strategies. Provides information on local, state and federal programs to support housing goals. This element provides a conceptual framework to help better understand and improve the existing and projected housing needs of the community.

Chapter 11. Historic Preservation:

Includes summary of key historic preservation strategies and programs. Includes an overview of existing and potential programs and approaches to enhance historic preservation in Cottonwood.

Chapter 12. Economic Development:

Describes programs, partners and goals to promote a healthy strong economy, fully-employed workforce and business-friendly community.

Chapter 13. Plan Administration:

Describes the policies and procedures for developing the *General Plan 2025* and for considering any future amendments.