

Community Region. This land use designation is considered appropriate in Community and Rural Centers.

State Route 49 has been realigned. This portion of Old Route 49 has no through access, will provide access only to the commercial parcels located therein, and is not identified on the General Plan Circulation Map (Figure TC-1). Those parcels located north of the proposed vacation will continue to be served from State Route 49 to the west. Public utilities exist underground and in the immediate area. The utility companies have requested that the vacation be subject to the County reserving a public utility easement to maintain legal access to their facilities. In the original vacation by the State of California Transportation Commission, they have excepted from and reserved to the State of California any and all rights of ingress and egress from old Highway 49 to the adjacent and adjoining State Route 49. Therefore, the proposed vacation would be subject to, and conditioned upon, the aforesaid reservations and exceptions.

While there are no specific General Plan policies which apply to the vacation or abandonment of a roadway, Policy 5.6.1.1 states that the County will, “promote and coordinate efforts with utilities for the undergrounding of existing and new utility distribution lines in accordance with current rules and regulations of the California Public Utility Commission and existing and overhead power lines within scenic areas and existing Community Regions and Rural Centers.” As the vacation will be subject to the aforementioned public utility easement, the proposed vacation of a portion of Old Route 49 would be consistent with the applicable policies of the 2004 General Plan.

EXHIBITS:

- A. Vicinity Map
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- C. Assessor’s Map Page 54:35
- D. Right of Way Relinquishment Map
- E. Request for Finding of Consistency Hearing