

CHAPTER FIFTEEN

NEIGHBORHOODS

Grass Valley and its broader planning area contain numerous identifiable sub-areas identified as “Neighborhoods” for General Plan Update purposes. Neighborhood identification and designation is useful both during the General Plan process and for followup programs thereafter. Among the planning and implementation activities benefitting from neighborhood identification are:

- Urban design, tailoring to specific neighborhoods
- Housing rehabilitation programs in areas of common age and construction
- Neighborhood parks, both in terms of facilities and recreation programs
- Transit and other transportation programs
- Public facilities improvements, such as sidewalks, lighting, etc.

Neighborhoods include historic districts and communities; recognizable developments and subdivisions known by name (e.g., Morgan Ranch); large land holdings being treated as single units for purposes of specific plan preparation or possible annexation (e.g., Loma Rica Ranch, North Star, Kenny Ranch); established commercial or industrial districts (e.g., downtown Grass Valley, Glenbrook, Whispering Pines Business Park); and areas more typically thought of as neighborhoods.

Figure 15-1 shows neighborhoods, most of which are in the unincorporated Planning Area. An additional map, currently being recorded, will delineate neighborhoods within the City limits.