

SaddleBrooke Road Show Summary Report

Date: July 17, 2007 (Tuesday)
Time: 7 - 8:30 p.m.
Location: Mountain View Clubhouse Ballroom

Handouts

The Future at Pinal executive summary
Comprehensive Plan Fact Sheet
Road Show Questionnaire

Attendees (134)

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MEETING SUMMARY

The purpose of the Road Show event was threefold: introduce the public to the Comprehensive Plan process, discuss the results of the Morrison Institute *The Future at Pinal* report, and to begin a dialogue on the vision for Pinal.

After a brief exercise which identified how long attendees had been residents of Pinal County, the year-long Comprehensive Plan process and current status were presented to the group. Additionally, results from the Morrison Institute were shared, including growth figures, land ownership percentages, and employment data.

Several questions were asked by participants, including the following:

- How will the Arizona State Trust Land be integrated into the County?
- How will the mining areas be developed?
- Can the State Land Department dictate how State Lands are used and developed?

- How much influence do developers have in getting lands ready for State sale? Is there a way to control this process? How appropriate is the developers influence in this manner?
- How can Pinal residents contribute to or impact State Land decisions?
- How involved are the Indian Communities?

Participants were then shown results of a peer county analysis. Polk County, Florida, Cobb County, Georgia and Arapahoe County, Colorado were chosen as “peer” counties for their rapid growth over the past 20 years, that they were impacted by rapid growth in neighboring metro areas, contained an urban/agricultural/open space interface, had preservation issues and served in some capacity as a “bedroom community.” After lessons learned were shared from these three counties, participants were asked what Pinal County should take away from the counties experiences:

- All were important!

Finally, a presentation of the Morrison Institute’s six “placemaking goals” was given to participants.

- #1: Distinguishing Pinal from Maricopa County and Pima County.
- #2: Protect miles of desert land and open space.
- #3: Provide choices for transportation and mobility.
- #4: Support unique, “fair share” communities.
- #5: Create and attract “career pay—career path” jobs.
- #6: Develop Pinal’s talent pool.

Participants were then asked, if we do everything right, how would they describe a successful Pinal County in the future:

- Light rail would be developed between Tucson and Phoenix with stops at activity centers; no more highways would be built
- We would utilize the opportunities provided by the Biosphere, which brings great attention to Pinal County
- We would be the leader in renewable resources
- We would design a proper land use plan county-wide with deed restrictions and code enforcement
- We would develop a conservation plan to preserve the land
- Pinal would be an example in how to lead youth in a positive direction
- County would no develop beyond its means to provide fair and equal taxes
- Air quality would be preserved
- Pinal County leadership would lead County appropriately and adequately
- Pinal would be a leader in addressing water issues
- Each community’s character is cherished and recognizable
- Infrastructure for public health services would be facilitated
- Better educational facilities would be developed
- Citizens would have truly had a voice in the future of their County

Participants were encouraged to participate in future Comprehensive Plan events.

QUESTIONNAIRE SUMMARY

Section 1

Responses to the following questions:

What ONE thing do you value most about Pinal County?

- Agriculture
- Beautiful scenery
- Beauty of open space
- Biosphere
- Controlled growth—all aspects
- Desert environment
- Easy to get from one place to another (openness/natural lands)
- Environment
- Excellent residential area with outstanding amenities
- Exploring natural landscapes
- Geology
- Good ambulance service—been here a short time
- Interesting history, e.g., mining, cotton farming, and ranching, as well as droden (?) use or a TB center
- Isolation
- It's not Pima County, which has a lot of bureaucratic crap, which is non-productive.
- It's over 300 days of sunshine.
- Large desert vistas
- Living at SaddleBrooke, I don't want to have to move when I'm more elderly because roads and air are bad and water is not managed properly.
- Low density and rural environment
- Lower taxes (2)
- Minimal air and noise pollution
- Mountains
- Natural beauty (3)
- Natural beauty (2)
- Nature (2)
- Not as crowded as Pima County
- Not overcrowded
- Not personally familiar with the county, except for occasionally driving through to Phoenix, although we have a branch in San Manuel and plans to expand into Casa Grande).
- Open areas smog free
- Open feel of county—concrete not everywhere
- Open space (22)
- Open space and natural beauty of our mountains
- Open space and nice views
- Open space and wildlife habitat

- Open space—realizing growth (dense) has begun, the county has the opportunity to properly plan for growth in a pro-active manner.
- Overall rural character
- Police presence
- Protect open land
- Quality of life
- Quiet, rural atmosphere
- Rural (10)
- SaddleBrooke (3)
- San Pedro River (2)
- Size of population
- Spacious views
- The more rural aspect, although that will be changing but not too fast, I hope
- Transition from Maricopa and Pima
- Undivided/small communities, no ___ on megapolis!
- Unspoiled desert
- View of the mountains, desert
- We have the opportunity to plan before the real growth begins.
- Wildlife (3)

What ONE thing do you **not** want to lose in Pinal County?

- Ability to easily move around the county
- Adequate water resources
- Agricultural small-town feel
- Agriculture
- Archeological/prehistoric resources (all!)
- As a retired person, the real estate tax is very important.
- Beautiful drive between Oracle and Globe to magnificent viewpoints
- Biosphere
- Clean air
- Clear skies, bright night skies, unspoiled desert
- Controlled development
- Country feeling of openness
- Desert environment, space
- Environmental character
- Environmental quality
- Golden Ranch Fire and Emergency Protection
- Groundwater
- Groundwater being lost or polluted
- Large desert vistas
- Law enforcement
- Law enforcement (satellite office)
- Local publications such as “The Oracle” and “Pinal Way” magazines

- Natural beauty (3)
- Nature
- Nice views
- Open space (21)
- Open spaces and State-owned land
- Open spaces mixed adequately with development
- Outdoor recreation
- Pinal County Sheriff policing
- Resident control and communication with elected officials
- Rural (7)
- Rural areas/little towns
- Rural character of the landscape
- Rural environment/desert
- Rural look without crowded developments and many strip malls
- Rural/suburban character
- Sense of community
- Solitude! Not under developer's control
- Space
- Space and water
- State-owned land
- The more productive process in the permit process
- Too much traffic
- Uncrowded roads
- Water (7)
- Wide open spaces. What one visualizes the West as.
- Wildlife (5)

What ONE major change have you seen in Pinal County?

- Additional police presence
- Better roads—more roads to “I-10”
- County taking interest in future growth
- Decline of copper industry
- Development challenge of providing infrastructure without creating tax. Hardship on many.
- Development unleashed—ag, mountains destroyed in order to build more houses
- Developments and road use
- Eagle Crest and the waste of State land
- Eagle Crest development with massive terrain changes
- Fast growth—home developments
- Fixed lower Rt. 77
- From no planning to some thoughts on planning
- Growth (10)
- Growth (haphazard)

- Growth in population and stop lights
- Growth of homes on State land
- Growth of population
- Growth without consideration of future transportation system. More major roads.
- Growth, but lack of strategic planning
- Heavy traffic on roads
- Housing developments/trailer parks springing up without any consideration of future availability of water supplies
- Increase in housing and traffic
- Increased population
- Increased traffic—lack of service—poor roads
- Increases growth without proper planning
- Large growth without enough roads
- Lots of growth
- Mines closing = unemployment increasing (transition needed for job training)
- More construction of homes
- More development of houses/commercial
- More development than really necessary
- More houses
- More people
- More traffic and rooftops
- More traffic, petty crime
- New construction and many new residents
- One that balances rural feel with some urban amenities
- Overabundance of development
- Overcrowded roads
- Population explosion
- Population growth (7)
- Population growth and loss of mines
- Proper zoning in all areas
- Rampant high-density development
- Rapid growth
- Rapid growth of bedroom communities
- Rapid subdivision development
- Road improvements
- SaddleBrooke Ranch
- San Manuel closure
- Spread of new residential areas
- The obvious growth and the handling of it being well managed to this point
- The seemingly uncontrolled rate of growth with little apparent regard for environment and properly ordered (planned) land use
- The unfortunate lack of sensible development and sensitive land destruction. Example—Eagle Crest at SaddleBrooke entrance

- Too much “development” and traffic
- Too much generic development
- Too much traffic, no roads
- Too recent a resident to see change
- Traffic (7)
- Traffic, especially around Phoenix and Tucson suburbs
- Tremendous growth without adequate roads
- Unplanned growth
- Urban “sprawl” without enough attention to employment centers near new bedroom communities

If we do everything right, how would you describe a successful Pinal County in the future?

- Good community services, appropriate transportation, jobs, while maintaining the positiveness of small towns
- Good community services. Preserve small-town atmosphere, improve job opportunities, improve traffic for future
- Ecologically stable, conscientious about resources like water. Not filled with ridgetop developments.
- With all the new people moving in, try to keep the estate taxes at a lower level.
- Development that surpasses all current modes of sensitivity regarding natural environment and cultural resources
- A place where residents remain and people want to relocate to
- Water restrictions, i.e., construction and residential building codes, i.e., water heater closer to master bath, etc.
- Sparse
- Charge builder for infrastructure as a requirement for a building permit.
- A diverse population, living a quality life in an environment which meets all reasonable needs of the total population
- We would have a carefully drafted land use plan, with street zoning which can only be changed upon request and valid supporting data, and will only be with total plat plans for all use.
- A proper “mix” of development of areas versus open space areas
- Lucky
- Majority of residents satisfied with growth in future in regard to adequate highways, zoning, fair taxes, adequate schools and property value
- Excellent residential area with outstanding amenities
- Plan growth very carefully—make good, educated decisions first! Be proactive!
- Draw up master plan first.
- Would like to see the road to Highway 10 paved. Would make travel to Phoenix and airport easier.
- A way to merge all the county to protect all the county services
- Controlled growth and good government
- Have a high quality of life, high value employment centers, adequate open space
- Questionable
- A place with its own quality identity—not another Pima or Maricopa

- Good mixture of homes, commercial and farming with a responsive county government—responsive to community needs
- Good roads, no water shortage problem. Adequate Sheriff protection
- No strip malls! Wildlife _____
- Less taxes – cut the magmelite (?) of waste all governments have more efficient taxes. More law enforcement
- Plenty of water, minimum traffic jams and low taxes
- Insulated economically less dependent on Pima and Maricopa for services such as schools, hospitals, employers, geographically confirmed so that open spaces are preserved.
- Enjoyable retirement community with low taxes
- Preserve open space, good roads, and services. An independent Board of Supervisors who will follow the Pinal County Comprehensive Plan and not cower to developers.
- Open land around living area
- A community surrounded by open land
- Careful planning to insure: (1) water to match growth, (2) all new development require solar, (3) leader in balancing space (nature) and people
- Balance, i.e., residential, commercial, environmental protection
- Sensitive growth
- Higher standards and tighter building codes than Pima and Maricopa
- Not cowed and awed by rural/agricultural interests
- Lots of jobs along an interstate bypass
- Keep its charm and local identity, but provide transportation to/from Tucson and Phoenix and/or promote industry as working people have jobs without clogging the “Oracle Road” access to Tucson and US60 to Phoenix.
- Land and water use and infrastructure well planned and implemented with laws in place
- A balance between urban and country
- Excellent roads
- A place that tourists and visitors would like to visit. This brings more tax money.
- A county—definitely not like Maricopa—that has vision to accommodate people growth, development, jobs, open spaces, and adequately provide for needed infrastructure
- Preservation to the fullest so that taxes, water, utilities are able to stay intact.
- Low unemployment, good transportation, not outgrowing water supply
- A beautiful, natural land which has handled growth through careful planning in the areas of Scottsdale-like zoning, preservation of open spaces and places of historical interest, and provider of a proactive infrastructure (roads, water, safety, etc.) This will be done by a lean county government, one which is sensitive to the financial constraints of residents.
- A county evenly divided between open spaces and development of all types
- One that balances rural feel with some urban amenities. A successful county would also have five supervisors.
- Having five supervisors instead of three (Mtn. View points)

- A combination of a lot of open space, light rail service north and south, tasteful mixed use housing
- Water restrictions. Good and successful planning! Not by the builders! Roads to handle increased population!
- Balanced growth with adequate infrastructure and job growth
- Controlled growth, lots of open space, amenities for families in development
- Work with Pima County on highways as the population grows.
- All new homes have to pay impact costs.
- Planned communities with open space, parks, destination, connected by good roads, not necessarily freeways or as a bedroom for Phoenix
- No more housing developments, golf courses.
- Public transit
- Sustainable development
- Small communities where residents can live and work
- More state parks
- Cooperate with/respect Native Americans.
- Environmentally friendly
- Easy to get around. Delightful, unique small towns. Carefully stewarded recreation areas—mountains, parks, trails, museums.
- A successful Pinal County will conserve open space and wildlife habitat and incorporate wildlife/habitat corridors into planned developments.
- Clean, wide open spaces with clusters of small economic self-sufficient communities
- Very good
- Beautiful open land preserving wildlife and geological features will small well-planned communities with attractive shopping and educational opportunities linked by public and private transportation
- Planned water use
- Managed growth without a mass of red tape and long processes to exhibit good growth
- People living comfortably together
- Reasonable taxes/good roads/good shopping areas/plentiful water supply
- Reasonable taxes, good roads/good road from SaddleBrooke to Highway 10, plentiful water supply
- Reasonable taxes, good roads, transportation, water
- No huge tax incentives for malls, being aware of limited water resources, limiting development based on limited resources
- The more you can keep it as it is, the more successful it will be.
- High quality of life, planned urban development around current population centers
- Mixed use with natural attributes preserved
- Planned development to reduce needs for commuters to Tucson or Phoenix. Light rail. Better road system. Good education system.
- Minimal business activity, ____ SaddleBrooke-type community
- Quality leadership making good decisions
- Make Pinal County the solar energy capital of the US, both in technology/research, and also residential image.

- A county with controlled growth whose infrastructure and services can keep up with the growth without losing the desert feel.
- Keep it rural.
- Fewer developments than planned with no big box centers and no raising of taxes
- Planning that balances developers' needs, along with keeping the natural beauty of the desert

Section 2

The average level of agreement for each of the six placemaking goals (1 strongly disagree, 5 strongly agree.)

Distinguish Pinal from Maricopa County and Pima County:	4.01
Protect miles of desert land and open space.	4.59
Provide choices for transportation and mobility.	4.38
Support unique, "fair share" communities.	3.80
Create and attract "career pay—career path" jobs.	3.96
Develop Pinal's talent pool.	4.05

Responses to "what does each statement mean to you?"

Distinguishing Pinal from Maricopa County and Pima County.

- Not big city
- To be more attractive to tourists, employers, employees
- More rural versus large cities
- Less traffic and lower costs
- Not a big deal—too much continuity/similarity already
- Controlled development
- Policies and population
- Think it will be one huge city condo in future
- I don't get the point. Why not transfer the top half to Maricopa and the bottom half to Pima?
- Doesn't matter. The only reason someone says they are from O____ City is people don't know Yerba Linda.
- Make Pinal a place to go, not just to pass through.
- Branding vital, or we'll have no identity.
- An intelligently planned county
- A better planned county (Pinal)
- Unique—minimal control
- Small county ____ plan
- Gateway/important partner
- No antiquated redundant thinking like Pima County. Need roads, free (?) wages
- Plan for better quality of life.
- Keep open space between cities, towns, and areas.
- Make Pinal unique in preserving different towns and cultures.
- Not big city

- Unfortunately, North Pinal can be considered part of Maricopa and will drive the direction.
- Unrealistic for a county of 6000 square miles
- Pinal needs more communication.
- Safety. Lead in environmental planning. If we start with energy and water requirements, many other things will fall into place.
- Unique/separate/individual
- Give me a reason to stop. Not a destination without looking for it. Out of the way places.
- Why be different?
- Pinal should be rural/suburban—not urban.
- Three different atmospheres
- We need to be recognized.
- Develop infrastructure to accommodate growth and development before impact of growth begins.
- Keep Pinal's recognition as is.
- No good reason for this
- Avoid urban sprawl. Open and unique. Respect nature and history.
- More than a sign. I want to be able to tell when I leave Maricopa and Pima Counties.
- _____ Pinal County so there is not just strip malls from Tucson to Phoenix.
- Bedroom community
- Stop the sprawl. Better transportation.
- Less population—better recreation
- Highlight unique features/facilities
- Yes. Maricopa—crime/crowded/disorganized/awful; Pima—crime/crowded/chaotic
- Maintain “scenic” aspects rather than “urban.”
- Secede from the State of Arizona which is currently Maricopa and Pima.
- State parks, nature preserves, non-motorized recreation, and archaeological tourism
- Distinguish from Maricopa County.
- Thoughtful planning, chosen community, honoring history and the desert
- We do not want the same level of growth as Maricopa and Pima.
- Most important.
- Avoid strip development.
- Well planned, less dense population communities that preserve and encourage Native American culture
- Law enforcement
- Pima has long/nonproductive zoning and development processes.
- Maintain as much of rural characteristics as possible.
- We should be unique “from other counties.”
- More recreation. Different—not mass population. Relaxed lifestyle.
- Good idea to call it Pinal County (?).

- Heavy development in other counties
- Don't mesh the growth together between Pima and Maricopa.
- Quality of life—not an “artificial” megalopolis
- Develop more self-sustained communities.
- Quality education and healthcare
- I don't yet have a sense of what Maricopa “means” versus what Pima “means,” so why do I need to distinguish?
- Pinal not a bedroom community or a county with wall-to-wall shopping centers.
- Pinal is so diversified, it would be hard to identify as a county.
- Integrate the mall areas into urban without losing feeling.

Protect miles of desert land and open space.

- Beauty of the area
- Protect the beauty.
- A desirable place to live and raise family
- Open space has high value as a distinguishing feature.
- Best idea
- As long as a lot of it is contiguous—not scattered islands
- Land management/environment
- Once it is gone, it is gone forever.
- Have the County buy the State lands in the county for open space. If anything, clean, renewable energy jobs.
- You can't develop all land and have autonomy.
- Err on the side of protecting all that we might possibly need to protect. We can back off later if necessary.
- Vital for the environment, habits (habitat?), and our grains (brains?)
- Preserve history, nature, beauty, environment.
- Agree and not let existing desert land be open space developed
- Agree
- Freedom—beauty
- Very important. Must have say in development
- Better than urban congestion
- Keep these areas intact.
- By creating set aside parks in sensitive areas
- Trails, wildlife, washes, hills
- Reduce the State Land Trust involvement in selling these lands.
- Large regional parks connected by wildlife counters (?) and/or trails.
- Important
- Very important. This is the reason we're here.
- Cooperate with UA and other institutions (national/state parks) for educational activities related to conservation and environment.
- Essential/unique/special
- Need to add the protections tools
- Within reason, but not paramount. Save trail corridors.

- Make some such areas “county parks.”
- It will be gone if not protected.
- Preserve our heritage.
- Protect as much open space to complement and support developing areas.
- Why we are here after leaving Cobb County, Georgia (Marietta) and its disastrous overpopulation, construction, and commercialism.
- For what purpose?
- Able to easily get away from it all. Don’t encroach on mountains and riparian areas.
- Unreal with large development
- Use zoning laws to keep some spaces agriculture related.
- Keep some open space despite the greed.
- Agree
- Quality of life issue. I don’t want to live in Phoenix or Maricopa.
- Leave lots of natural areas.
- Land use must be controlled—vehicles.
- Definitely!
- Less land for development (housing). Ensure water supply for future generations.
- Give it back to Indians, Native Americans.
- Non-motorized recreation areas, natural areas, and preserve historic areas.
- Don’t forget southeast Pinal County’s perennial waters!
- Don’t push game away, don’t replace native plants with non-native species.
- Conserve wildlife habitat and open space as much as possible.
- Important
- Protect from ATVs and litter.
- Provide free range for wildlife, trails, and geological preservation.
- Mountain views/washes
- May take away private land rights
- To preserve the natural state
- Control “off road” use of open desert, but allow access for educational.
- Don’t become another “metropolitan” area.
- Save beauty.
- Agree completely – natural beauty
- Reason for being here
- Combine protection across jurisdictions. Conserve State lands however possible.
- Essence of Arizona
- Direct development toward existing urban areas. Preserve the rest.
- Important.
- Keep open space for desert vegetation.
- Develop trails, park areas.
- Maintain feel of county.

Provide choices for transportation and mobility.

- Not just I-10 but 77, 79, 60, etc.

- Relieve traffic congestion.
- Local mobility choices like bike paths and alternate to I-10.
- Much needed and keep safer
- Light rail/expanded highways (Interstates)/public transport
- Need I-10 bypass.
- Need to widen I-10 now, need bike trails now, and need public transportation out from both cities to Pinal communities and rail between Phoenix and Tucson.
- We need a train from various places in Pinal to Tucson and Phoenix. No more freeways!
- You have to have choices, so that you can be environmentally sound. If you have to travel way out of your way due to lack of paved roads.
- Look at worst case in 2030, 40 years. Protect land that we might need for possible transportation options.
- Roads and other transport must be available for growth.
- Light rail to move masses. Protect San Pedro.
- SaddleBrooke will be landlocked if more roads aren't constructed. We need the proposed bypass from I-10 to east of Tucson.
- Agree (strongly)
- Heavy automotive access
- I-10 bypass
- Must invest today. Options are important.
- Need more than freeways
- Beltway around the county. I-10 bypass creates business.
- Light rail and bus transportation
- Not just I-10, rail, better roads, bike lanes, no center lane for trains left!
- More roads to bypass Phoenix and Tucson. The county is too large for light rail.
- Too early to start beyond better highways
- Bus service—important to us. Rail service.
- Definitely—the “10” won't be able to handle growth in the county.
- Bus service to various areas
- Public transportation to support environmental goals, starting with airports
- Necessary for the future
- Additional routes. Preserve ROWs.
- Light rail provides focus for population centers (South Shore Rail/ South Bend to Chicago).
- Bus line or rail line to/from Tucson and Phoenix to connect with existing transit in Pima and Maricopa
- Bicycle trails (shared and bike/ped only)
- Accessibility by roads important!
- Improved roads should be a top priority.
- This creates growth.
- Be visionary to plan transportation systems before impact of development and implement/build.
- Not important

- Pinal and Pima Counties have no transportation plan.
- Right-of-way for mass transportation priority for recreation areas.
- Xways (Freeways?), trains
- More roads and commuter rail lines to Phoenix and Tucson
- Commuter light rail from Tucson to Phoenix plus bike lanes for recreation
- Yes. Trails, roads.
- Light rail to work like Portland. They go all the way to the gorge—great place.
- Bus transportation to population centers
- High growth in the Oracle area will impact Oracle road traffic.
- Do not have a crowded freeway system like Maricopa County!
- Light rail. Must have rapid transit. No freeways.
- No I-10 bypass! Public transportation—light rail, less use of personal vehicles. Commuter rail—keep handicapped people in mind.
- Especially a rail corridor along I-10.
- Need buses, light rail, bike paths, but not through San Pedro River Valley
- No development of new freeways—widen existing roadways.
- Important
- Develop transportation corridors—include provision bikes. Need I-10 bypass
- Buses that are “green” gas users; all public transportation be “green.” Encourage private green transportation.
- Buses, offramp north of Tangerine, I-10
- Connecting urban through rural lands with rail transit and other road access (alternative to freeway) through smaller towns
- Transportation choices should not override preservation.
- Provide cross county roads.
- This is a “must” have—not a “nice” to have.
- Yes, needed.
- Provide choices.
- Limiting growth would make it minimal importance.
- Better shuttle-type services/more choices
- But can people’s habits be changed enough so they will be used? May take a generation to get people away from their own cars. Very opposed to a corridor being built through San Pedro Valley.
- Rail! Rail! Rail!
- Absolutely.
- Light rail, separate truck routes
- Light rail and parkway from Tucson to Phoenix
- Bus service and health transportation
- Freeways and pathways
- Improve freeway and access

Support unique, “fair share” communities.

- We work closely with those communities with SBCO
- Yes, to distinguish from others.

- Yes, like SaddleBrooke.
- This is poorly explained—was that intentional?
- Most towns are virtual dumps and don't see any reason to "preserve."
- Only for historical areas
- Uniqueness supports tradition, history, beauty.
- I support.
- Part of Pinal County to distinguish from other Arizona counties
- Diversity is important.
- Let each community be unique, but have all contribute to the total county.
- Yes.
- Maintain c_____.
- Who pays for this? Keep taxes low.
- Ideally, try to avoid homogenizing of county.
- Artistic, Indian, historical
- Need for diversity/healthy communities
- Encourage community historic character.
- Old is not necessarily good for business and employment.
- Example: Oracle's history
- ?
- Don't want "cookie cutter communities"
- Here communities help make Pinal what it is.
- Stabilize and redevelop unique communities to be viable part of emerging Pinal County.
- Necessary
- Why?
- No idea what this means. Particularly funky ___tomcal (anatomical?) areas.
- I think this goes along with Question 1 of Section 2.
- Depending on the price
- No.
- Make them good places to live.
- Coordinate with employment opportunities.
- Gives character to county—preserve past.
- Sustainable communities and historic communities
- Use the communities as seeds for growth.
- No high-end only communities. All people must be represented in each community—all socioeconomic levels.
- Existing roadways. Conservation-oriented communities.
- Clustered communities. Law abiding.
- Senior communities should be protected from high taxation (within a self-sustaining county). There is a great need to motivate children and teenagers toward education and life skills. We need to provide them with alternatives to gangs, drugs, speed in vehicles, ATC, and off-road motorcycle destruction. The seniors in SaddleBrooke are already mentoring in schools (reading, math) and working with students after school by teaching sewing (Teens Sew Cool), but we need to be

able to reach other skills—plumbing, woodwork, construction, electrical work, parenting skills, art, and encourage higher education toward teaching, health, and professional goals in life. No matter what kind of population growth—through homes and employment—if we don't take care of and provide wonderful opportunities for kids, we will lose everything good!

- So long as you do not create a mass of costs on to the developer that restricts affordable housing for working class, etc.
- Communities should all “fit” into the overall.
- Should attempt to achieve
- Yes.
- Both.
- Places develop on their own
- Of course, imperative to success
- Depends partly on costs
- No McMerica and “Pink Fungus” development
- Make them mixed—gray, middle-aged, retired, business, industry, etc.
- Too broad a definition
- Unique can happen with development.

Create and attract “career pay—career path” jobs.

- Necessary to retain talented people
- Long-term, depends on education of next generation
- Widen economic base in general
- Industry
- If Pinal is a bedroom area, there will be jobs but does need money from industry and business.
- What is wrong with being a bedroom or retirement community?
- In time, it will become important.
- Set up university/research unified efforts, research centers. Attract high-quality businesses.
- Bring in light high-quality industry.
- If this isn't accomplished, more roads will be needed than normal due to commuting.
- Very desirable
- A new college
- Good employment options are important. Get away from prisons.
- Utilize some open space for higher education and attract specific industries.
- In business and medical areas
- High-tec center
- This might work in North Pinal, but difficult elsewhere.
- Not realistic given national/world economic development
- Career jobs will be important for future.
- Yes, if Pinal County is to be successful.
- We don't want to be Maricopa!

- Needed for future, but not practical for retirees
- Agriculture? Need to look at all education models.
- A big university would be helpful.
- Have areas to develop as “office complexes” and industrial “parks.”
- Important for future business success
- Very important for other than agricultural, mining, etc. Keeping jobs close also minimizes transportation congestion.
- Unnecessary
- Important
- Jargon! Don’t get too utopian. Let private enterprise play its proper role.
- Different level jobs
- We should try to be as self-sustaining as possible.
- Yes.
- Better pay contributes to demand for better education and support and quality of life.
- Good-paying, clean environment jobs
- Pinal has unique opportunities, i.e., Biosphere
- As long as property taxes do not increase unfairly
- Encourage small home businesses (crafts, etc.)
- Better support for community college sites/rural campuses (Aravaipa CAC)
- Small high-tech companies that could be anywhere but choose Pinal
- Create jobs in developed cities only—conserve open space.
- Important.
- Do not need heavy industry
- “Green” manufacturing and commercial properties should abide by an architectural compatible design.
- All for it—good planning and highest and best use for land and its location to and within the communities.
- Long-term employment should be available, including agricultural and mining.
- Not an important element in our growth
- Good idea, but how to accomplish?
- Conflicts with strong desire to keep county as is—at a long-range level
- Can’t possibly create enough jobs to keep offspring close to homestead! Antiquated thinking.
- I want my kids and grandkids to be able to stay.
- Provide jobs and education so residents do not leave county.
- Success of the county may rely on this.
- Growth depends on it.

Develop Pinal’s talent pool.

- Necessary for future development
- Ditto. Start working on next generation.
- Not a priority to me—educational opportunities are abundant and nearby.
- Better schools

- Education is critical everywhere and helps with growth.
- What is wrong with being a bedroom or retirement community?
- Expand with campus of UA or ASU.
- Focus on providing an equal, high-quality educational opportunity for all children.
- Link with ASU/U of A. Develop a Pima (?) Community College.
- This is needed.
- Important.
- Satisfy job demand to service growth retirement areas.
- Need access to higher education/good training for the trades
- Higher education and trade schools important to provide employment opportunities.
- With more college opportunities = employment.
- Again, I see this happening in North Pinal.
- Give citizens an opportunity to grow without leaving region.
- Important!
- Definitely—if Pinal is to become a viable county
- Focus on all pre-college levels. Develop outstanding community colleges feed to U of A.
- Needed for future, but not practical for retirees.
- Need to look at all education models.
- Educational high standards
- More local education opportunities. Also raise level of primary and secondary school education.
- Very, very important!
- Need colleges!
- Educational opportunities important; tackle issues of small school districts to consider a county-wide system.
- This would require more housing, school, and taxes.
- Great need for improvement
- Provide decent primary/secondary education. Let UA and ASU be the first class universities.
- Various job levels
- We should try to be as self-sustaining as possible.
- Less (?) higher education schools
- Satellite colleges for training professionals. If you educate, people have a better quality of life.
- Always important
- More colleges throughout county, not just in and near Maricopa County
- Again, better support for community college and encourage partnerships with universities
- Educate and bring back highly educated and talented people.
- Expand CAC campuses.
- Important.
- Do not need unique universities

- By offering higher education—attract citizens. That can motivate younger, as well as older generations.
- Definitely important.
- Who's going to fund it, and what is it exactly?
- All people need the opportunity to do what they want—not just advanced education.
- Not a top priority
- Needed for total success
- Community college at very least
- Let them get educated where they can.
- This would improve quality of life—with some sacrifice—but worth it.
- Takes good schools—are people willing to invest in education? To date, legislature (and others) do not _____ education is really worth supporting!
- A university brings many diverse benefits.
- Needed—diversify professionals, laborers, etc.
- Improve K-12 education. Provide distance learning via higher education.
- Work with U of A to develop technical expertise jobs.
- Better schools. How about English?
- Education goes hand in hand with—jobs!
- Growth depends upon it.

Responses to “what five key words do you think should be part of the Pinal County Vision Statement?”

- Adequate infrastructure
- Adequate roads
- Adequate water
- Adequately funded
- Agriculture
- Air quality
- Airport
- Alternate roads or rail
- Alternative energy (2)
- Alternative fuel capital of U.S.
- Art
- Ask Al Gore to sponsor county.
- Beauty (6)
- Beauty (mountains, desert, etc.)
- Better and more freeways
- Better care for elderly
- Better education (3)
- Better education programs for kids
- Better higher education
- Better transportation
- Branding as a retirement community

- Branding help with maintaining vision
- Build ___ expressway. Rail to Phoenix airport
- Build colleges
- Buses
- Cautious
- Character
- Citizen
- Clean
- Cluster
- College-level training
- Colleges, tech schools
- Commitment
- Common good
- Common vision
- Community character cherished and recognizable
- Conservation (7)
- Conservation leader
- Conservation of natural resources
- Conservation planning (2)
- Conservation water/air
- Conserve history
- Control for people building
- Control/management
- Control/protect
- Controlled growth
- Convenience
- Corridor
- County is a city
- Culture
- Desert (2)
- Desert paradise
- Develop more small villages
- Development—homes
- Discrete retail
- Diversity (5)
- Each will hold it if it is important to them.
- Early vision of where we want Pinal County to go
- Ecology
- Economy
- Education (10)
- Education development
- Education opportunities
- Education quality

- Educational opportunities (2)
- Education—senior access
- Efficiency
- Eliminate crime
- Employment (2)
- Energy
- Energy independent based on solar
- Energy management
- Environment (5)
- Environmental leadership
- Environmental quality “air and water”
- Environmentally friendly
- Environmentally green
- Essential for sustainability of jobs and careers.
- Excellent roads
- Extend and develop new use of the elderlies’ knowledge and experience.
- Extended education facilities
- Fair property taxes
- Fewer strip malls
- Fiscally stable
- Future planning
- Good government
- Good idea
- Good shopping choices
- Green (2)
- Green—solar
- Growth (2)
- Have to have affordable housing for it to work. Would have to develop before it would.
- Health services
- Healthcare
- Healthy
- Healthy air to remain
- High quality of life
- High standards
- High technology
- High-speed trains
- Historic character
- Historic preservation
- History
- Hospitality
- I-10 Bypass stimulates commerce
- Improve education

- Inclusive
- Industry/aviation
- Infrastructure (3)
- Intelligent development
- Involvement
- Job growth
- Jobs
- Keep taxes down
- Land for open spaces
- Land preservation
- Leadership
- Light industry
- Light rail (3)
- Limited housing
- Lived in LA County for 52 years!
- Living Costs
- Local character
- Long and short light rail
- Long term
- Long range
- Low crime
- Low growth
- Low tax (3)
- Major Southwest international airport
- Mass transit (2)
- Medical facilities (2)
- More developer-built elder care facilities
- More funding for education
- More north/south roads
- Most growth will come from retirement
- Most important off-road bicycle areas
- Mountains
- Must bring higher paying jobs
- Mutual-benefit
- Natural beauty preservation
- Natural resources
- Nature (2)
- Nature preserves
- Necessary
- Necessary part of vision for future
- Need open spaces
- Needed (2)
- No overdevelopment

- No strip malls
- Offer some public transportation
- Ongoing citizen involvement in decision making
- Open space (15)
- Open space with room for wildlife
- Opportunity
- Opportunity to create unique neighborhoods and tourism
- Pinal motto?
- Plan
- Planned communities
- Planned growth
- Planned water
- Planning (2)
- Pleasant
- Police protection
- Preservation (3)
- Preservation of nature and history
- Preserve beauty
- Preserve different culture buildings
- Preserve land
- Preserve mountains—don't build on
- Preserve Native American culture
- Preserve state
- Private college rather than universities
- Pro-active (2)
- Promote
- Protective
- Prudent
- Public health (3)
- Public transportation (light rail)
- Quality education/all levels
- Quality of life (2)
- Questionable
- Rail transportation
- Rail—Tucson and Phoenix
- Reasonable
- Reasonable housing
- Recreation (2)
- Recreation and development mix
- Recreational opportunities
- Regional mall
- Renewable and alternative energy
- Representation

- Resort areas
- Respected
- Responsibility (2)
- Responsible financial planning
- Responsible growth
- Roads, roads, roads
- Rural (3)
- Safety
- Save land
- Sensitive growth
- Shopping—senior access
- Slow growth
- Small
- Small company friendly
- Solar (8)
- Solar and wind power
- Sound regulations
- Stewardship of land
- Strategic planning
- Strict community standards
- Strict conservation plan
- Strict regulations for land use
- Study all transportation options.
- Successful planning
- Superior primary education
- Supporting
- Sustainability (3)
- Sustainable development
- Sustainable use of resources
- Tax developers
- Taxes
- Terrain
- To attract employees and employees
- Tourism
- Tourist and resort areas
- Trails
- Transportation (10)
- Transportation (to jobs and shopping, healthcare)
- Transportation infrastructure
- Transportation planning
- Transportation uniqueness
- Transportation—road/rail/air/public
- Unemployment

- Unique (2)
- Unique communities
- Unique county
- Variable level jobs
- Very important. Keep it beautiful, control.
- Vibrant (2)
- Vision (2)
- Vistas/character
- Washes
- Water (12)
- Water
- Water and air quality
- Water conservation (2)
- Water management (2)
- Water preservation (2)
- Water solar
- Water supply
- Water—needs
- Wealthy
- Weather
- Well planned (2)
- Wildlife (2)
- Wildlife habitat (2)
- Willing to pay taxes!!
- World-class destination
- Youth—recreation

Demographic Information

Attendees from:

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|----------------|----|
| • SaddleBrooke | 68 |
| • Tucson | 3 |
| • Oro Valley | 1 |
| • Coolidge | 1 |
| • San Manuel | 1 |
| • Oracle | 1 |
| • Catalina | 1 |

I've lived in Pinal County for:

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|--------------|----|
| < 2 years: | 20 |
| 2-5 years: | 26 |
| 5-10 years: | 22 |
| 10-20 years: | 15 |
| > 20 years: | 2 |

I am:

18 or under:	0
19-29:	2
30-39:	0
40-49:	4
50-64:	30
Over 65:	52

Other Comments:

- Rehab old mines—turn to industrial parks
- Thank you for having this road show. Very positive