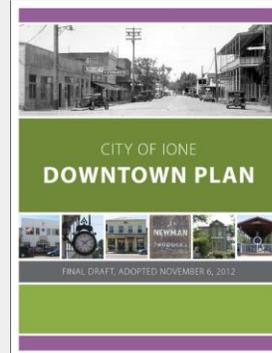




Downtown Plan

City of Ione

Community-Based Transportation Planning
FY 10-11 Grant Cycle
District 10
Grant Award Amount: \$236,000



Project Summary:

The Downtown Plan tied together revitalization, historic preservation, and economic development in downtown Ione by providing an economic development plan, capital improvement plan, and design guidelines. The goal of the project was to bring together "old" and "new" Ione in planning the future of downtown in a way that recognized history, local needs, tourism, and practical concerns.

Community Outreach

- The City of Ione utilized a broad, community-based planning process which included hiring a multidisciplinary consultant team which sought out input from elected and appointed officials, stakeholder groups, business and property owners, residents, and other members of the public.
- Public outreach incorporated a public workshop, working sessions with members of the City Council and the Planning Commission, and interviews with stakeholder groups. Some stakeholders included members of two of the local Native American tribes and members of bicycle clubs who frequent the area.

Project Outcome

- The final product that arose from this project is the City of Ione Downtown Plan which was adopted in November 2012.
- The Plan was derived from community and decision maker input that first and foremost supports community values and the economic potential that Ione can support, meanwhile improving circulation and safety for all modes.

Successes & Next Steps

- The City of Ione's Downtown Plan is a document which contains intuitive graphics and is easy to navigate.
- The Plan contains an implementation strategy which includes several regulatory changes, infrastructure upgrades, economic development strategies, and various public realm improvements that have been prioritized by the community's vision for the project area.
- The City of Ione has identified grants and other funding opportunities which will help the plan to move forward with implementation. These include: the Community Development Block Grant, Proposition 84, and many others.