



American Planning Association  
**California Chapter**  
**Sacramento Valley**

*Making Great Communities Happen*

## Sacramento Valley Section APACA Awards Event October 8, 2008

The 2008 Awards for Outstanding Planning have been awarded for the Sacramento Valley Section of the California Chapter American Planning Association (APA). These outstanding projects and plans were submitted by the Section for State Award consideration. **The Winners are as follows:**

**Comprehensive Planning Award/Large Jurisdiction:**

**Sacramento Railyards Specific Plan** - City of Sacramento; Design, Community & Environment (consultant)

**Comprehensive Planning Award/Small Jurisdiction:**

**Lincoln General Plan** - City of Lincoln; Matrix Design Group (consultant); Mintier Associates (consultant)

**Planning Project Award:**

**North Highlands Town Center Development Code** - County of Sacramento; Mogavero Notestine Associates (consultant)

**Neighborhood Planning Award:**

**Chico Avenues Project** - City of Chico; Mogavero Notestine Associates (consultant)

**Focused Issue Award:**

**California Joint Land Use Studies** - Governor's Office of Planning and Research; Kern County (sponsoring agency); Matrix Design Group (consultant)

**Best Practices Award:**

**Metropolitan Transportation Plan for 2035 (MTP 2035)** - Sacramento Area Council of Governments

**Distinguished Leadership Award, Elected Official:**

**Linda Budge**, Mayor of the City of Rancho Cordova

**Statewide Winner: City of Lincoln for their General Plan 2050.**

The City of Lincoln, Mintier & Associates and Matrix Design Group were honored.

**Local Vision Awards** are given annually by the Sacramento Valley Section to organizations and individuals that have made outstanding contributions to creating a better Sacramento Region. The APA at the national, state, and section levels have awards programs that recognizes excellence in traditional planning activities. The Sacramento Section's Vision Awards recognize that sometimes you have to color outside of the lines to lead a community to plan for a better future. This year's winners all have challenged the members of their communities to think differently about the everyday decisions they make. **The 2008 Local Vision Award Winners are:**

**LJ Urban** for working to build a better future as well as building housing

**City of Chico** for envisioning a greener community

**Sacramento News & Review Green Guide** for taking a leadership role in educating the community about daily choices for sustainable living