



GIS Modeling and Analytics in Regional Planning

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Toolbox
Tuesday

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Agenda

1. SCAG Regional Planning 1:00 – 1:10 p.m.
2. GIS for Regional Planning 1:10 – 1:20 p.m.
3. GIS Modeling & Analytics 1:20 – 1:40 p.m.
4. Demo: GIS Programming & Automation 1:40 – 2:00 p.m.
5. Q&A 2:00 – 2:15 p.m.



SCAG REGIONAL PLANNING

About SCAG



191
Cities
6
Counties

19
Million
People

5 MM
Parcels

16th
Largest
Economy in
the World

SCAG REGION STATISTICS

KEY INDICATORS	EMPLOYMENT	BUSINESS	HOUSING
487 2020 PERSONS PER SQUARE MILE	22% 2021 BLUE COLLAR WORKERS	790k 2021 TOTAL BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS	24.7M TOTAL ACRES
2.99 2020 AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE	63% 2021 WHITE COLLAR WORKERS	7.7M 2021 TOTAL EMPLOYEES	53% 2021 OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS
8% 2021 POPULATION AGE 25+; NO DIPLOMA (%)	16% 2021 SERVICE WORKERS	8.4M 2021 WORKERS	47% 2021 RENTER OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS
33% 2021 POPULATION AGE 25+; BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER EDUCATION (%)	19% 2021 WORKERS WHO COMMUTE 7+ HOURS WEEKLY	8.4M 2021 WORKERS	10.4M 2021 RESIDENTS
\$629k 2021 MEDIAN HOME VALUE	76.1% 2019 WORKERS WHO DRIVE ALONE TO WORK	91% 2021 EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION AGE 16+	<p>FINAL 6TH CYCLE REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT (RHNA) ALLOCATION</p> <p>1,341,827 HOUSING UNITS</p>
<p>More information on the SoCal Atlas tool can be found at https://rdp.scag.ca.gov/socal-atlas/</p>			<p>351,796 VERY LOW INCOME (<50% OF AMI)</p> <p>206,807 LOW INCOME (50-80% OF AMI)</p> <p>223,957 MODERATE INCOME (80-120% OF AMI)</p>

KEY INDICATORS DATA SOURCE: 2020 data are from the 2020 Decennial Census PL-94 redistricting file which have been processed by the California Department of Finance. 2021 data are Esri estimates (additional information on Esri demographics can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/regional-data/united-states.htm>). HOUSING DATA SOURCE: 2020 data are from the 2020 Decennial Census PL-94 redistricting file which has been processed by the California Department of Finance. 2021 data are Esri estimates (additional information on Esri demographics can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/regional-data/united-states.htm>). Specific information on the categorization of White Collar, Blue Collar, and Services employees can be found at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/reference/faq.htm#anchor15>, along with additional information on Daytime population counts at <https://doc.arcgis.com/en/esri-demographics/latest/reference/faq.htm#anchor14>. 2019 data are from the American Community Survey (ACS) and have been processed and published by Esri.

SCAG RDP

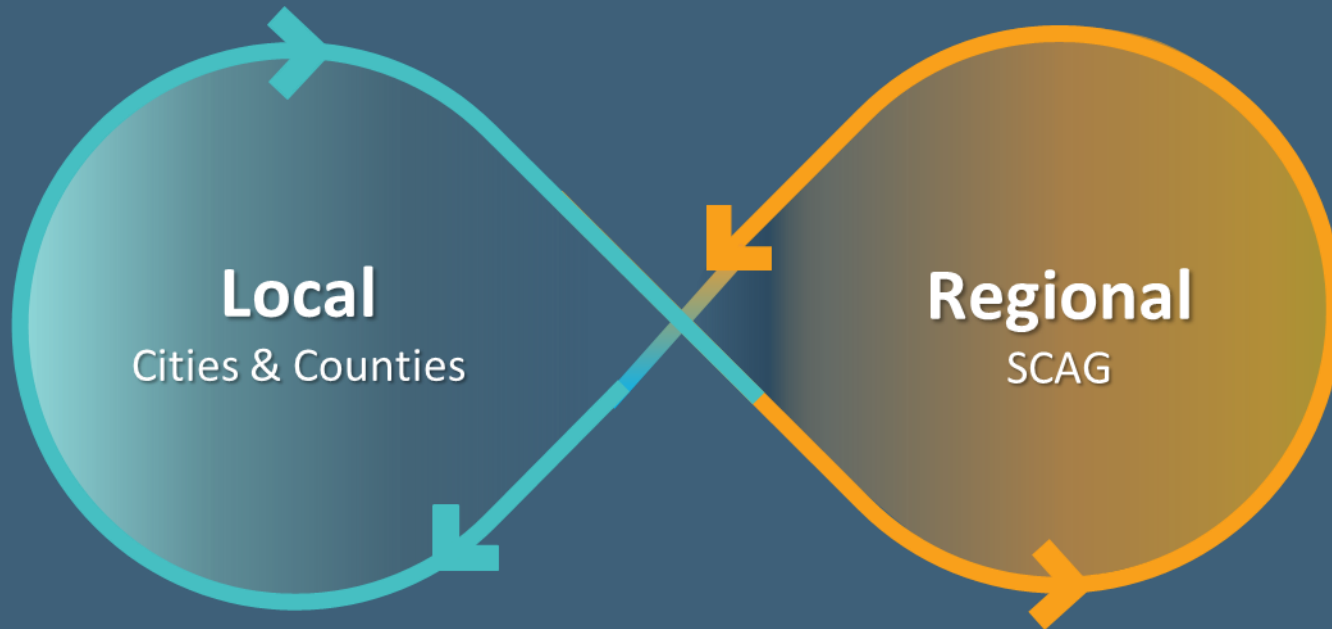
The Region Faces Big Challenges...



Regional Planning Context



Planning, Engagement & Data Sharing



- Struggle to update local General Plan
- Need data, tools, resources, and support

- Struggle to do regional forecasting & planning
- Need accurate, complete, and current local data

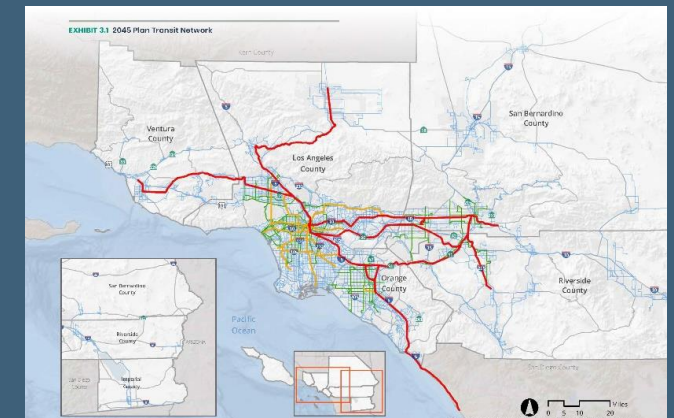
70%
of local agencies lacked technical staff to analyze data

43%
had no in-house GIS support

84%
shared data through email or other means of direct communication

Connect SoCal?

- 20+ year plan with 6,000+ transportation projects, regional development pattern and goal-oriented programs and strategies.
 - Mobility, Environmental, Community, and Economic Goals
 - Reduce congestion and travel times
 - Increase opportunities to walk, bike or take transit
 - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants
 - Conserve open space and farmland
 - Improve access to transit and jobs and meet regional housing needs
 - Support new jobs, improved competitiveness
 - Facilitate efficient and resilient goods movement



Local Data Exchange



Solicit updates and corrections to:

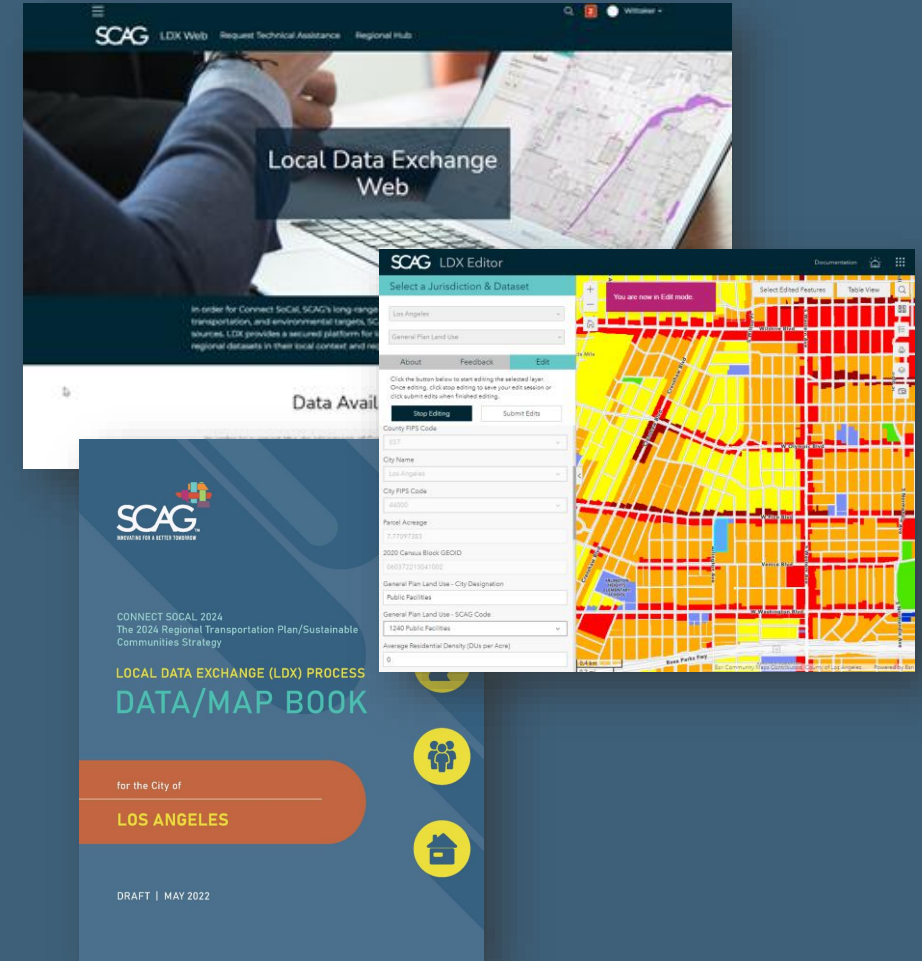
1. Local land use data
2. Preliminary forecast of households and employment growth



Feedback and editing opportunity on: Additional growth and transportation data



Opportunity to align local and regional visions





GIS FOR REGIONAL PLANNING

GIS and Planning

GIS: More than just a map



Data management



Visualization



Analysis & modeling



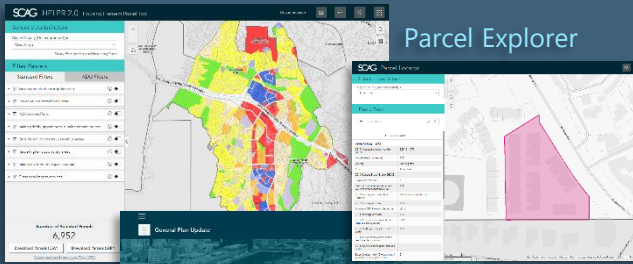
Sharing & engagement



Regional Data Platform (RDP)

Planning & Engagement Tools

HELPR



Parcel Explorer



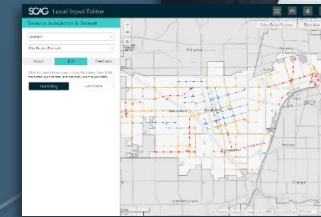
General Plan Update Initiative Templates

Data Sharing Tools & Workflows

Local Data Exchange (LDX) Web



LDX Data Upload



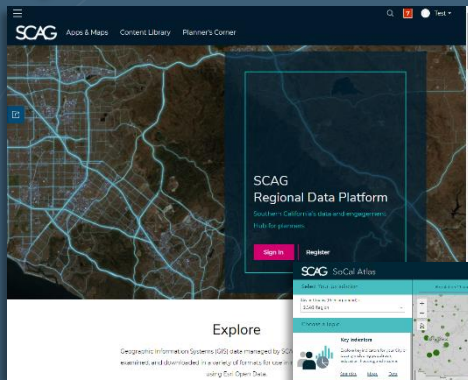
LDX Editor



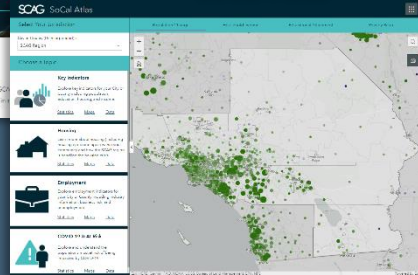
LDX Workflow Management

Accessible Data and Information

Regional Hub



SoCal Atlas

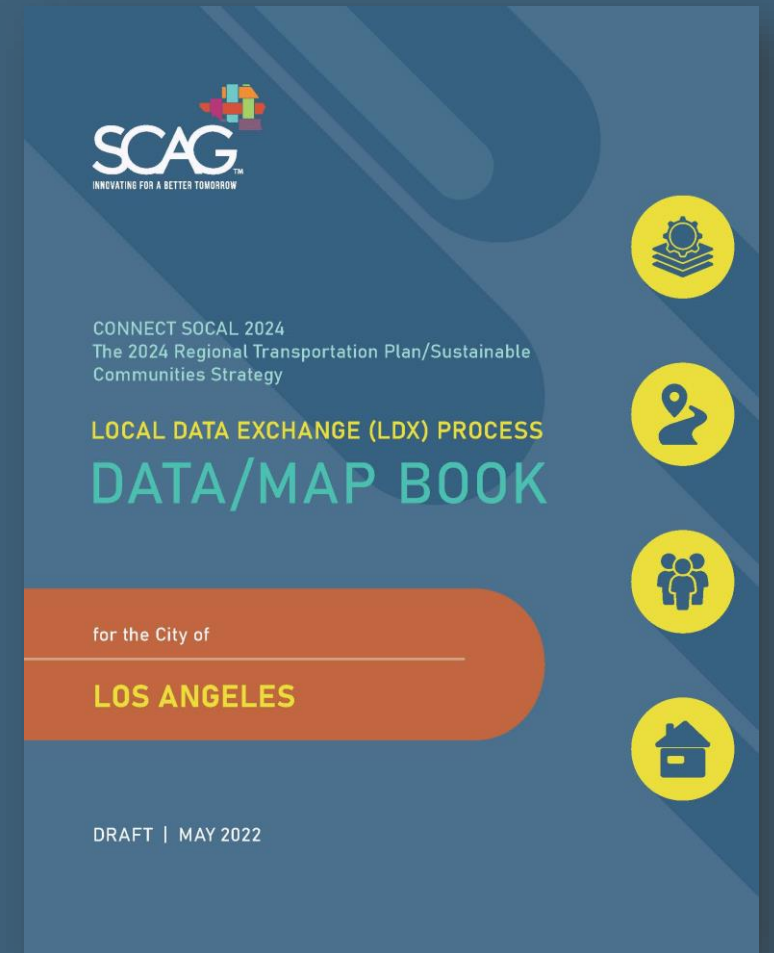


SCAG Regional Data Platform (RDP)



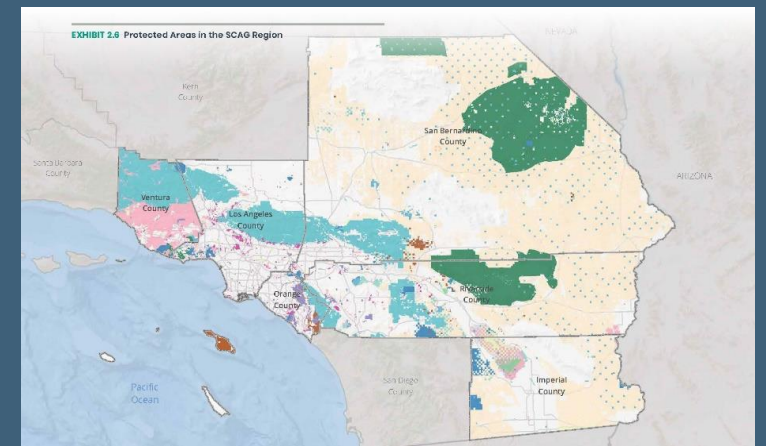
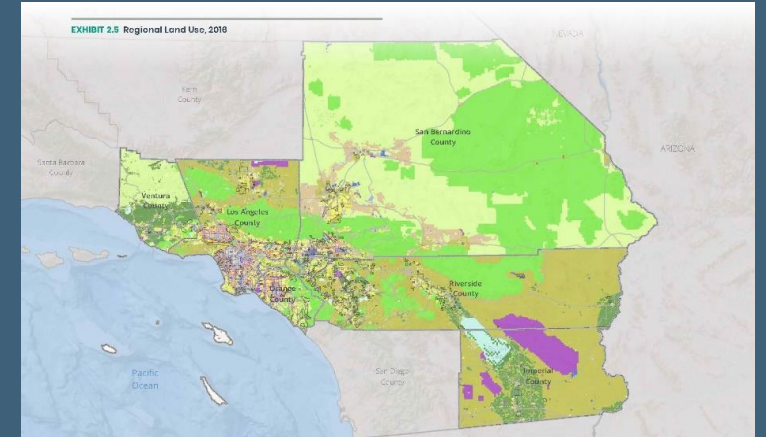
Data/Map Books

- Producing Data/Map Books of 197 local jurisdictions for Connect SoCal Local Data Exchange (LDX) process
- To help local planners better understand the sources, methodologies, and contexts of SCAG GIS datasets
- Including 30+ maps of:
 - Land Use
 - Priority Development
 - Transportation
 - Green Region Resource Areas
 - Geographical Boundaries
 - Growth Forecasts



Geospatial Data for Connect SoCal

- Smart Land Information System
 - Regional land use information at the parcel-level for 6 counties and 191 cities (app. 5 million parcels)
 - Major land use information: General plan, specific plan, zoning and existing land use
 - Quadrennial and Annual Land Use dataset
 - Other value-added land information
- Growth strategy analysis
 - Priority Development Areas, Neighborhood Mobility Areas, Job Centers, High Quality Transit Areas, Transit Priority Areas, etc.
- Resource areas (e.g., open space, farmland, etc.)
- Transportation (e.g., truck routes, bikeways, etc.)



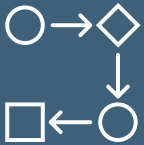


SCAG GIS MODELING & ANALYTICS

GIS and Programming



- Data Analysis and Data Manipulation
 - Customize available geospatial tools and libraries to facilitate GIS work



- Workflow Automation
 - Streamline the workflow
 - Reduce repeat work



- Easy User Interface
 - Develop easy to use tool for everyone

SCAG GIS Modeling and Analytics

- Developing an effective GIS workflow to streamline:
 - High-volume regional geospatial data development
 - Repetitive and complicated geoprocessing
 - Redundant map book compilation and production tasks
- Utilizing ArcGIS and programming skills to develop workflow automation that offers benefits in
 - Time and labor savings
 - Better data quality, accuracy and consistency

GIS Programming for Spatial Analysis and Geoprocessing

- High-Quality Transit Area & Transit Priority Areas
 - Identifying the intersection of 2+ major bus routes with a frequency of service interval of 15 min. or less during the peak periods
 - Python scripts to counting stops within 500 ft buffer of over 8,000 intersections of high-quality bus routes and to calculate the angles of high-quality bus routes intersections
- Growth Strategy Analysis for Connect SoCal
 - Estimating households and employment growth in various land use strategies for different growth forecast scenarios
 - Python scripts to streamline repetitive process and to ensure consistent methodology

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# Create the intersection of the target buffer and selected hqtc routes
bfr_hqtc_int_multi = "bfr_hqtc_int_multi"
arcpy.Intersect_analysis(["bfr_target", hqtc_angle], bfr_hqtc_int_multi, "ALL", "", "POINT")
bfr_hqtc_int = "bfr_hqtc_int"
arcpy.MultipartToSinglepart_management(bfr_hqtc_int_multi, bfr_hqtc_int)

# Calculate the centroid x and y of intersection of buffer and hqtc
arcpy.AddField_management(bfr_hqtc_int, "INT_X", "DOUBLE")
arcpy.CalculateField_management(bfr_hqtc_int, "INT_X", "!SHAPE.CENTROID.X!", "PYTHON_9.3")
arcpy.AddField_management(bfr_hqtc_int, "INT_Y", "DOUBLE")
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bfr_hqtc_int_dissolve = "bfr_hqtc_int_dissolve"
dissolveFields = ["ORIG_FID", "POINT_X", "POINT_Y", "INT_X", "INT_Y"]
arcpy.Dissolve_management(bfr_hqtc_int, bfr_hqtc_int_dissolve, dissolveFields)
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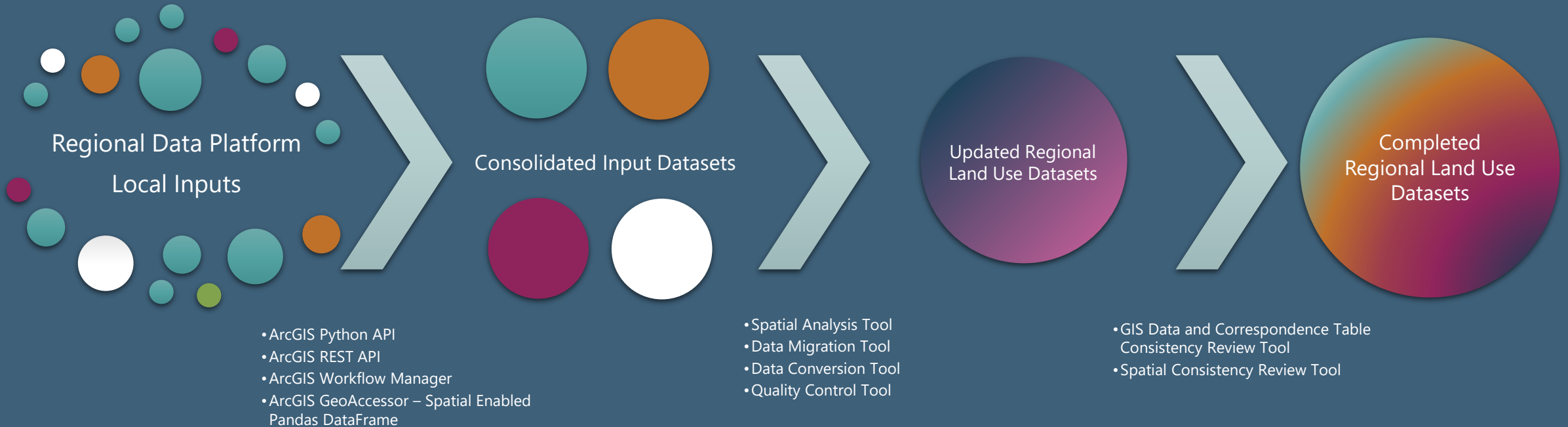
# Calculate the distance between centroids and intersection of buffer and hqtc
arcpy.AddField_management(bfr_hqtc_pnt, "DIST_X", "DOUBLE")
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arcpy.CalculateField_management(bfr_hqtc_pnt, "DIST_Y", "!INT_Y!-!POINT_Y!", "PYTHON_9.3")

# Calculate the angles of intersections
angList = []
with arcpy.da.UpdateCursor(bfr_hqtc_pnt, ['POINT_X', 'POINT_Y', 'INT_X', 'INT_Y']) as cursor2:
    for row2 in cursor2:
        cent_x = row2[0]
        cent_y = row2[1]
        int_x = row2[2]
        int_y = row2[3]
        dist_x = cent_x - int_x
        dist_y = cent_y - int_y

        if dist_x < 0 and dist_y <= 0:
            angle = math.degrees(math.atan(abs(dist_y/dist_x)))
        elif dist_x <= 0 and dist_y > 0:
            angle = math.degrees(math.atan(abs(dist_x/dist_y))) + 270
        elif dist_x > 0 and dist_y >= 0:
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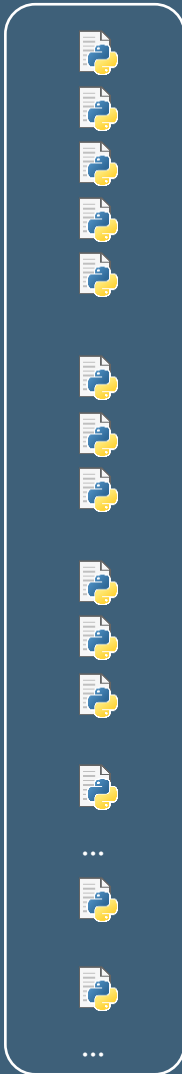
FINAL PLAN	AREA		GROWTH				SHARE OF TOTAL GROWTH			
	ACRES	%	HO08- HO16	HO16- HO45	E08- E16	E16- E45	HO08- HO16	HO16- HO45	E08- E16	E16- E45
SCAG TOTAL	24,717,287		197,781	1,621,920	650,783	1,659,857				
Priority Growth Areas	975,234	3.9%	139,795	1,041,318	485,600	1,232,364	70.7%	64.2%	74.6%	74.2%
High Quality Transit Areas ¹	592,286	2.4%	115,013	830,905	294,289	997,212	58.2%	51.2%	45.2%	60.1%
Transit Priority Areas (TPA) ¹	218,411	0.9%	67,002	491,028	135,892	623,845	33.9%	30.3%	20.9%	37.6%
Job Centers	202,186	0.8%	47,816	390,888	217,165	502,749	24.2%	24.1%	33.4%	30.3%
Neighborhood Mobility Areas	248,916	1.0%	73,938	469,292	179,563	491,877	37.4%	28.9%	27.6%	29.6%
Livable Corridors ²	548,451	2.2%	98,024	748,306	350,001	826,170	49.6%	46.1%	53.6%	49.8%
Sphere of Influence ³	146,017	0.6%	5,846	71,956	16,790	29,478	3.0%	4.4%	2.6%	1.8%
Absolute Constrained Areas ⁴	20,487,984	82.9%	22,570	157,798	32,416	150,815	11.4%	9.7%	5.0%	9.1%
Variable Constrained Areas ⁵	17,924,688	72.5%	104,702	768,181	292,001	712,860	52.9%	47.4%	44.9%	42.9%

GIS Programming for Workflow Automation



GIS Programming for Data Visualization

- General Plan
- Specific Plan
- Zoning
- Existing Land Use
- Entitlement
- Job Centers
- Livable Corridors
- Neighborhood Mobility Area
- High Quality Transit Area
- Bikeway
- Truck Routes
- GRRA - Conservation
- ...
- GRRA - Flood
- Admin Boundary
- ...



Combined maps for 197 local jurisdictions



Combined customized texts, figures and maps for 197 local jurisdictions



DEMO: GIS PROGRAMMING & AUTOMATION



THANK YOU!

Tell us how we did!

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