

American Planning Association

California Chapter - Central Section

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Local Planning Agencies, Academic Institutions and Partnering Firms Recognized for Outstanding Achievements

American Planning Association, California Chapter Central Section 2018 Planning Awards recognize the Cities of Clovis, Coalinga, Avenal; the Counties of Mariposa and Tulare, as well as Fresno State and Skidmore, Owings and Merrill, LLP

Five public agencies, one university and a private firm, plus their consultation partners, have been recognized for outstanding achievement in land use planning and best practices. The California Chapter Central Section of the American Planning Association has made the following awards:

- Outstanding Planning Award Public Outreach: To the City of Coalinga for the "Coalinga Active Transportation Plan"
- Outstanding Planning Award Transportation Planning: To the City of Avenal for the "Avenal Active Transportation and Safe Routes to School Plan"
- Outstanding Planning Award Best Practices: To Mariposa County for the "Mariposa County General Plan Strategic Implementation Work Plan"
- Outstanding Planning Award Planning Project (Section Only): To the City of Clovis for the "Old Town Cottage Home Program"
- Outstanding Planning Award Opportunity and Empowerment: To The Tulare County Resource Management Agency for the "Sustainable Growth Council Summary and Conclusions Report"
- Outstanding Planning Award Urban Design: To Skidmore, Owings and Merrill LLP for the "UC Merced 2020 Campus Development Plan"
- Planning Award of Merit Transportation Planning: To Fresno State for the "Fresno State Active Transportation Plan"

The American Planning Association, California Central Section Awards program encourages quality and innovation in land use planning and increases public awareness of the

planning profession through the recognition of outstanding achievements and individuals in the planning field. The eleven county Central Section of the American Planning Association California Chapter is comprised of Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Stanislaus, Tulare and Tuolumne Counties.

The American Planning Association, or APA, is the national organization that sets performance standards for city, state and regional land use planning professionals through its educational programs. The APA provides leadership in the development of vital communities by advocating excellence in community planning, promoting education and citizen empowerment, and provides the tools and support necessary to effect positive change.

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