



American Planning Association

California Chapter - Central Section

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Local Planning Agency and Partnering Firms Recognized for Outstanding Achievements

American Planning Association, California Chapter Central Section 2020 Planning Awards recognize the City of Arvin, the City of Fresno, and the County of Merced

Three public agencies and their private firm consultant 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:

- **Excellence and Achievement in Planning – Best Practices Category:** To the City of Arvin, Collins & Schoettler & Holloway, Planning Consultants and Arvin Community Services District for the “*Arvin Water Resources Element*”
- **Excellence and Achievement in Planning – Public Outreach Category:** To the City of Fresno and Raimi + Associates for the “*Transform Fresno*”
- **Award of Merit in Planning – Public Outreach Category:** To the County of Merced and RRM Design Group for the “*Le Grand Community 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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