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#### I. OZ 101: Program Background & Basics

- 2. **OZ Transactions:** Basics & Regulatory Changes
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### "Opportunity Zones have the potential to be the largest infusion of private capital into disadvantaged communities in decades."

-Lenny Mendonca

Director of the Office of Business and Economic Development

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— Gov. Newsom January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 2019-2020 State Budget Release



Governor on OZ legislation: "I'm still trying to get my arms around it....My original thought was let's focus with a sense of urgency on the two values that define this moment: issues of affordability and housing and on the issue of climate change."

— Gov. Newsom Opportunity Zones Investor Summit Stanford University, March 18, 2019



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES HISTORY

- The Tax Cut and Jobs Act (TCJA) was signed into law on December 22, 2017; included eight pages that provided the framework for the Opportunity Zone tax incentive, a program designed to stimulate investment in low-income communities.
- The Opportunity Zone program was the supported by **Senator Tim Scott** (R) and **Senator Cory Booker** (D) and was developed with support from entrepreneur **Sean Parker's** Economic Innovation Group.
- Three regulatory updates have been issued since the TCJA passed: first round of proposed regulations were released in October 2018; second round in April 2019; and "final" regulations were released in December 2019.
- More changes are expected to come from Congress, state governments, and regulators includes legislation to increase accountability / transparency / disclosures, changes to address issues of gentrification and abuse, and further tax process adjustments to encourage successful investment.



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES NEXT STEPS

#### Funds Forming Throughout the Country, Seeking Projects

- Novogradac: \$6.72 B of reported equity raised; \$68.55 B of community development investment capacity via 502 tracked funds<sup>1</sup>
- NCHSA: Over 190 OZ funds (~\$45 B capacity) formed; of these, 77 funds (~\$32 B capacity) with nationwide or California focus<sup>2</sup>

#### Some States Face Challenges, Working on Solutions

- State Tax Conformity: Many states have conformed their tax codes to provide similar state-level tax benefits for OZ investment; California is one of four states to not have conformity. To better compete in the OZ marketplace, proposed CA legislation would add conformity for key areas of investment, such as housing and green technology.
- **Encouraging Investment**: Many states are also pursuing legislation that further encourage investment, from project streamlining to additional tax benefits / inventive programs for key projects. In CA, proposed legislation would provide streamlined CEQA approvals for Opportunity Zone projects.

#### Local Governments Engaging with OZ Investment

Many local governments are getting involved with OZ transactions by <u>preparing</u> their cities for investment, motivating OZ projects through <u>engagement</u>, and <u>linking OZs with other economic development tools</u> (such as EIFDs, CRIAs, and housing assistance programs).



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES AREA DESIGNATION PROCESS

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, signed into law on 12/22/17, created Opportunity Zones to unlock unrealized capital gains by incentivizing private sector investment and development in low income census tracts

3,516 low-income census tracts in California;

25% eligible for nomination



Tract screening criteria:

poverty level
Sufficient business activity
Geographic diversity



879 O-Zones approved in California

8,700 census tracts approved in the United States

879 Census tracts approved in the State of California in April 2018



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES BASICS AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS

#### **OZ BASICS**

- Incentivizes individuals to realize capital gains and invest in certain low-income areas through tax deferrals and reductions.
- Timing is critical to maximize investments (12/31/21 next timing hurdle)
- Competition will be high for OZ investment

#### **OZ COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

- 1. Opportunity Zones can be used as part of an economic development strategy, creating jobs, stimulating economic activity, and jump-starting projects within a community.
- 2. Opportunity Zones can stimulate housing development, paving the way for cities to meet legislative housing mandates.
- 3. Opportunity Zones can be used to augment other tax incentives and economic development strategies and can enhance the economic viability of a proposed project by mixing with EIFDs, NMTC, other Fed Tax Credits).



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES INVESTOR BENEFITS



### Temporary Tax Deferral

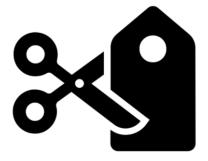
Capital Gains reinvested in an Opportunity Fund can be deferred until the earlier of 12/31/2026 or upon exit.



### Reduction of Capital Gains Taxes

Taxes reduced on current capital gains via step-up in basis for holding OZ investment:

- 5 year hold: basis increased 10%
- 7 year hold: basis increased 15%

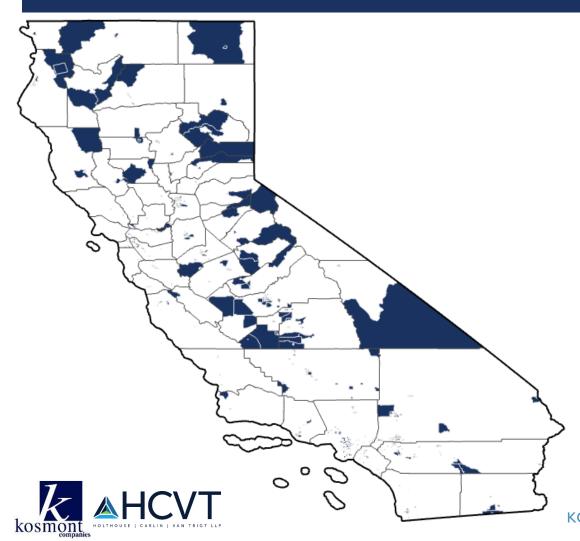


### Permanent Exclusion

Exemption from tax on capital gains from the sale of Opportunity Fund investment, if held for at least 10 years.



#### 879 OPPORTUNITY ZONES IN 57 CALIFORNIA 49 OPPORTUNITY ZONES



County	ΟZ	County	ΟZ	County	ΟZ	County	ΟZ
Alameda	47	Kings	5	Plumas	2	Siskiyou	3
Alpine	I	Lake	3	Riverside	49	Solano	9
Amador	I	Lassen	2	Sacramento	43	Sonoma	3
Butte	9	Los Angeles	274	San Benito	2	Stanislaus	17
Calaveras	I	Madera	5	San Bernardino	57	Sutter	4
Colusa	2	Marin	1	San Diego	47	Tehama	I
Contra Costa	17	Mariposa	2	San Francisco	П	Trinity	2
Del Norte	2	Mendocino	3	San Joaquin	20	Tulare	17
El Dorado	3	Merced	11	San Luis Obispo	3	Tuolumne	2
Fresno	47	Modoc	2	San Mateo	4	Ventura	8
Glenn	2	Monterey	9	Santa Barbara	7	Yolo	7
Humboldt	7	Napa	2	Santa Clara	13	Yuba	3
Imperial	7	Nevada	2	Santa Cruz	4		
Inyo	2	Orange	27	Shasta	6		
Kern	35	Placer	3	Sierra	I		

## OPPORTUNITY ZONES THE ESSENTIALS – INVESTOR BENEFITS

#### **INVESTOR BENEFIT BASICS**

- Project must be in a qualified Opportunity Zone census tract
- Tax advantages incentivize a 10-year hold
  - Deferral of current capital gains taxes until earlier of 2026 or upon exit
  - **Reduction** of tax on current capital gains via step up in basis:
    - 5-year hold Basis increased 10% (Investment Deadline 12-31-21)
    - 7-year hold Basis increased cumulative 15% (Deadline ended 12-31-19)
  - **Exemption** from tax on gain on sale of QOF interest at 10 years or upon sale of assets
- Timing requirements are critical
  - Capital gains must be invested in the Opportunity Fund within 180 days of realization
  - 6 months for Opportunity Fund to establish Qualified Opportunity Zone Business entity
  - 31-month Working Capital Safe-Harbor for QOZ Business to develop qualified property per plan & schedule (with some flexibility for delays related to government agency actions)



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES THE ESSENTIALS – INVESTOR BENEFITS

#### **INVESTMENT BASICS\***

- Two investment options:
  - Qualified Opportunity Zone Property
  - Qualified Opportunity Zone Business
- Investment transaction must occur after December 31, 2017
- Property must be substantially improved during any 30-month period; some flexibility for delays caused by government agency actions
- Minimal requirements on project type: could include residential, commercial, hospitality, office, industrial, or an operating business.
- Cannot include "sin" businesses: golf course, country club, massage parlor, hot tub facility, suntan facility, racetrack or gambling, or store which sells alcoholic beverages for consumption off premises

<sup>\*</sup> Final regulations released in December 2019; some guidance / regulatory clarifications possible from U.S. Dept. of Treasury and IRS through February 2020.



## INVESTMENTS MADE VIA QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY FUNDS TWO INVESTMENT TYPES: REAL PROPERTY & BUSINESS

Investors with capital gains invest in a Qualified Opportunity Fund (QOF) QOF makes capital investment in property or business in Opportunity Zone area

#### **REAL PROPERTY**

Property acquired by a QOF after 12/31/17:

- Substantial Improvements to building must occur over a 30-month period (plus 24 mo. Regulatory)
- Land Excluded from substantial improvement test
- Working Capital Safe Harbor Period; some time extension for government delays

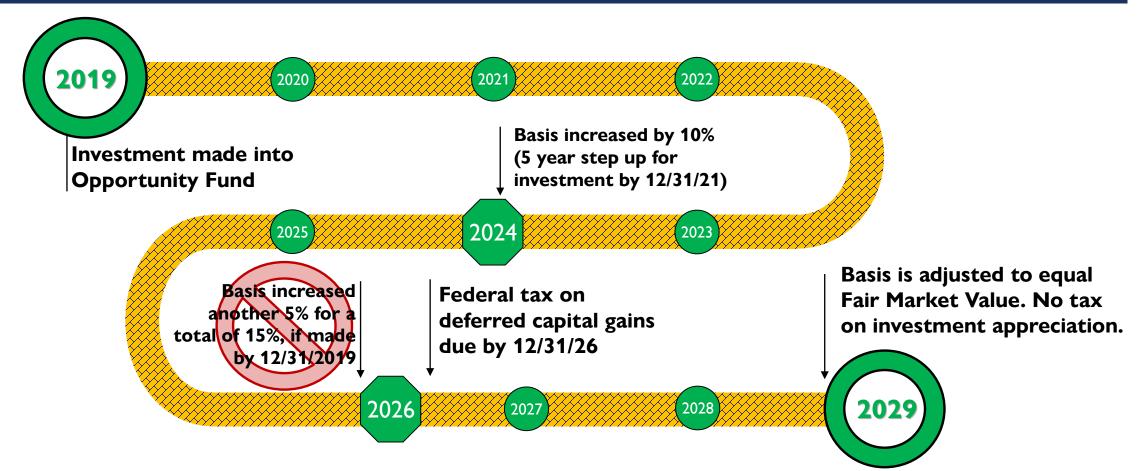
#### **BUSINESS INVESTMENT**

Tangible property acquired by the Opportunity Fund after 12/31/17 (unrelated party rules apply):

- Compliance Tests verify that property & business are located in OZ
- <u>Limitations on Business Type</u> no sin businesses (racetracks, gaming, massage, liquor store, other)
- Working Capital Safe Harbor Period 31/62 months



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES INVESTMENT TIMETABLE





## OPPORTUNITY ZONES WIDE VARIETY OF POTENTIAL INVESTMENTS

Real estate projects, business investment, infrastructure, energy, and housing



## OPPORTUNITY ZONES STRENGTHS, CHALLENGES AND COMMUNITY ACTION

- California is typically a strong investor market due to its climate, labor force, diversification, port activity, and quality of life.
- California faces **some challenges** for OZ investment, due to <u>competition</u> with other states, <u>state</u> <u>tax conformity</u> for state-level tax benefits, slow/costly <u>entitlement processes</u> and local government approvals, and <u>CEQA timing</u> / <u>litigation exposure</u>.
- Many communities are proactively working to stimulate OZ investment:
  - Educating local stakeholders, property owners, and business owners on the OZ program
  - Engaging & Connecting property / business owners with OZ investors and developers
  - **Encouraging** OZ Investment by <u>updating</u> local plans/processes and <u>layering</u> other economic development tools



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## SUSTAINABILITY & HOUSING DISTRICTS

Unlock investment by funding vital infrastructure with tax increment financing and other special district tools

**Compatible with OZs** 

**EIFD**: Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts

**CRIA**: Community Revitalization & Investment Authorities

NIFTIs, AHAs, & IRFDs
WHOZ, HSD (CEQA Streamlining)



Industrial Structures



Aff./Workforce Housing/Blended Use



Transit Priority/RTP/SCS Projects



Wastewater/Groundwater



Light / High Speed Rail



Civic Infrastructure



Parks & Open Space



Childcare Facilities



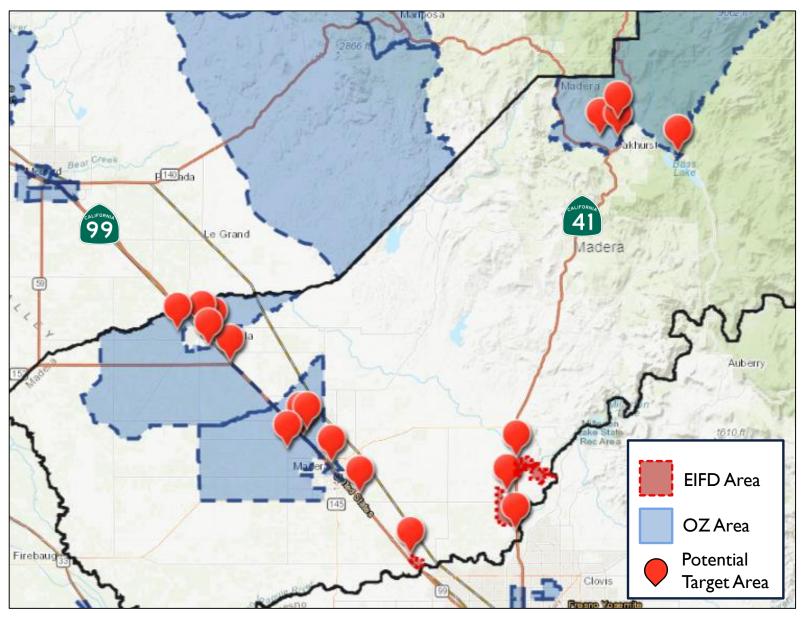
**Brownfield Remediation** 



## OZ CASE STUDY MADERA COUNTY

Madera County in the San Joaquin Valley has five OZ census tracts, including the cities of Madera & Chowchilla, and the Oakhurst area; no OZs overlap existing EIFD areas.

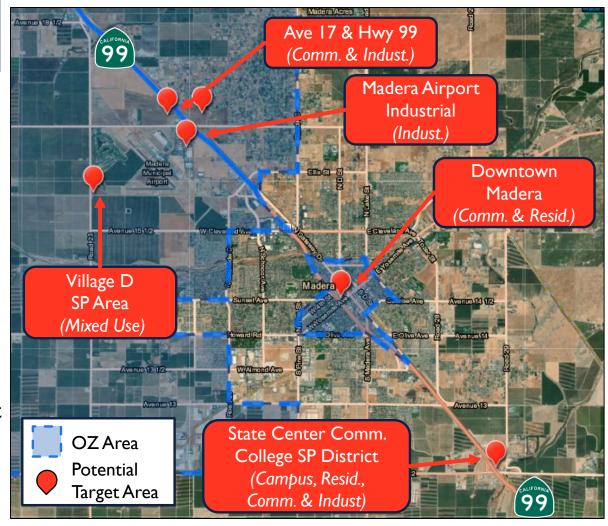
	OZ Areas	Acres
1	Chowchilla Area	6,654
2	Madera – West	3,518
3	Madera – Northeast	970
4	Madera – Downtown	65
5	Oakhurst	15,147
	EIFD Areas	Acres
Α	Tesoro Viejo	1,500
В	Riverstone	1,343
С	Ave 7 / Hwy 99 *(in progress)	350





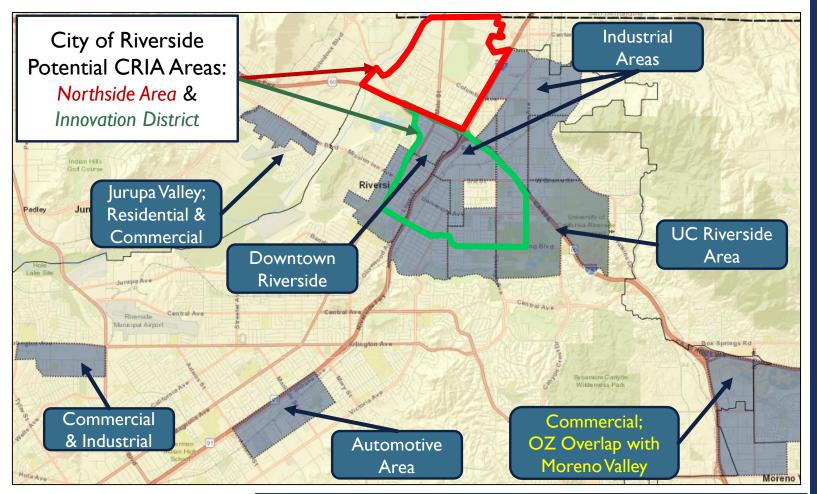
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- After an OZ / EIFD workshop, the County retained Kosmont to develop an OZ / EIFD Economic Development strategy.
- Workshop: Kosmont led OZ / EIFD workshop with political leadership, staff, and other stakeholders to discuss priorities for OZ / EIFD catalyzed development.
- Workshop Results: The County of Madera & Cities of Chowchilla and Madera have selected multiple target development areas in these OZs, including industrial, residential, mixed-use, and downtown development.
  - Kosmont is assisting the County / Cities with an Economic Development Work Plan to use these economic development tools to pursue target projects.
- City of Riverside is evaluating use of a CRIA
   District; could further explore how to layer CRIAs / EIFDs with OZs



<u>Above</u>: Targeted OZ development areas in Madera, CA.



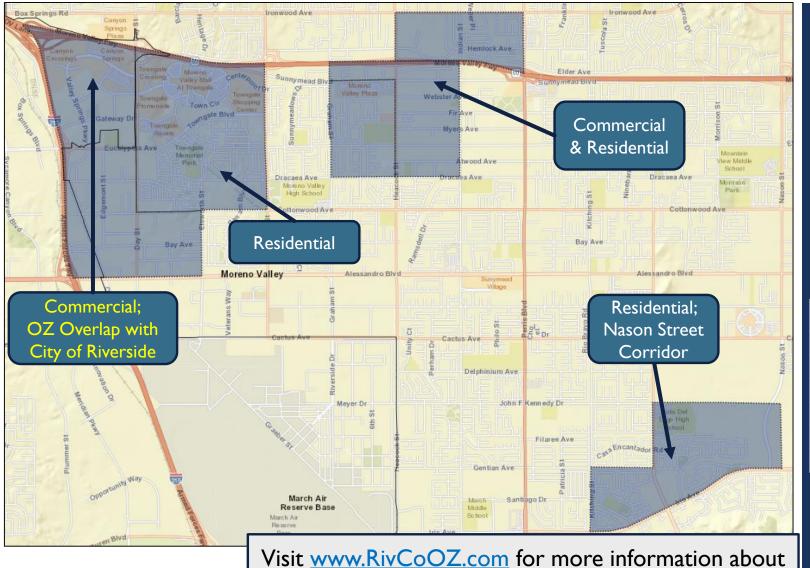


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# OPPORTUNITY ZONES CITY OF RIVERSIDE & JURUPA VALLEY

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
301.03	Riverside	243
303	Riverside	614
304	Riverside	678
305.01	Riverside	467
305.02	Riverside	474
313	Riverside	570
411.01	Riverside	390
422.09	Riverside; County	1,376
422.10	Riverside	333
425.05	Riverside; Moreno Valley	890
465	Riverside	1,158
402.03	Jurupa Valley	230





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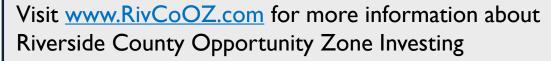
# OPPORTUNITY ZONES CITY OF MORENO VALLEY

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
425.05	Riverside; Moreno Valley	/ 890
424.04	Moreno Valley	250
425.06	Moreno Valley	755
425.14	Moreno Valley	243
425.15	Moreno Valley	333
511	Moreno Valley	544

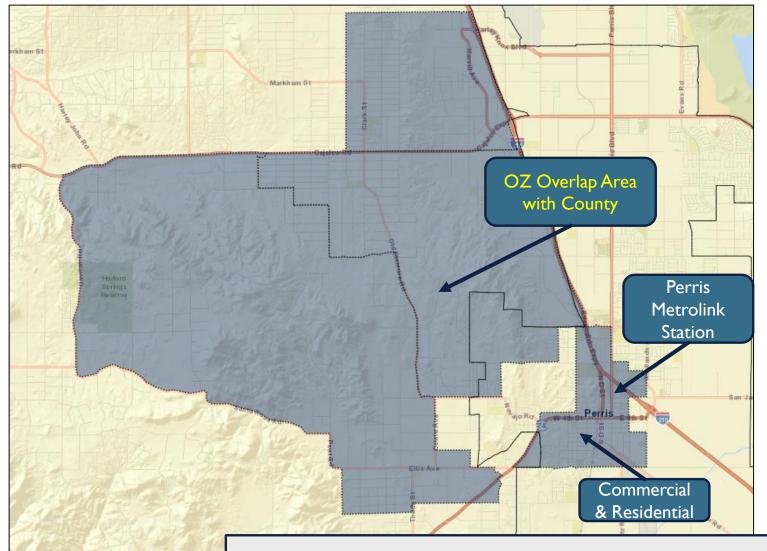


## OPPORTUNITY ZONES CITY OF CORONA

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
414.10	Corona; County	480
417.03	Corona	243





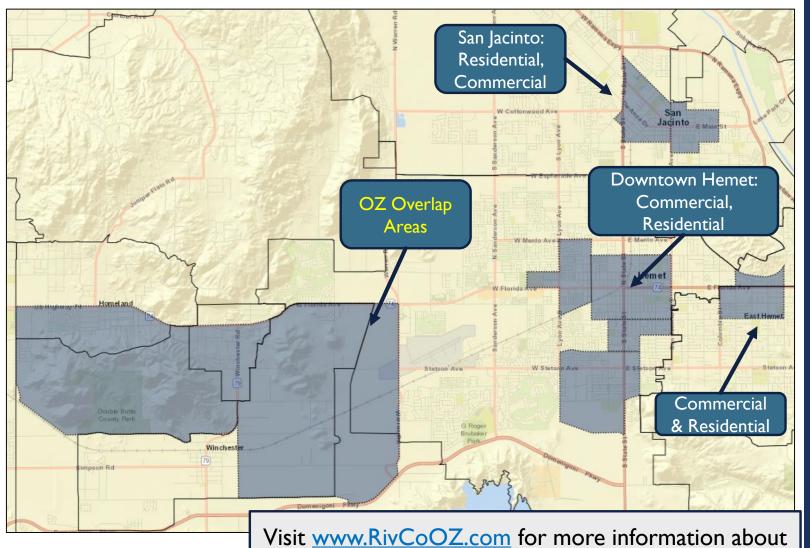


# OPPORTUNITY ZONES CITY OF PERRIS & COUNTY AREAS

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
428	Perris; County	1,350
429.04	Perris; County	5,882
420.1	County	2,694
429.03	County	11,034

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# OPPORTUNITY ZONES CITY OF SAN JACINTO; CITY OF HEMET; COUNTY AREAS

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
427.23	Hemet; County	8,730
433.07	Hemet	902
433.1	Hemet; County	416
434.01	Hemet	800
434.03	Hemet	243
434.05	Hemet	429
436.01	San Jacinto	307
436.02	San Jacinto	474

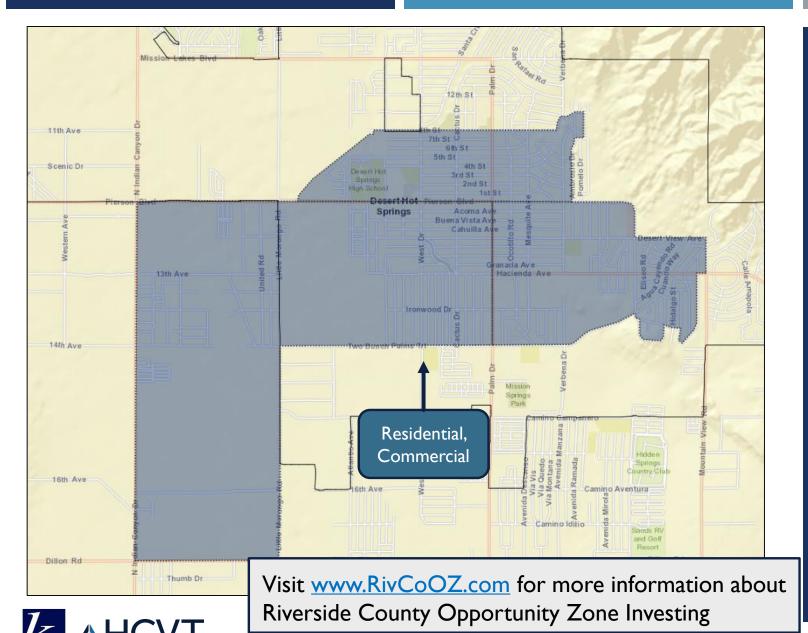


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## OPPORTUNITY ZONES CITY OF BANNING

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
441.01	Banning	403
442	Banning	1,011

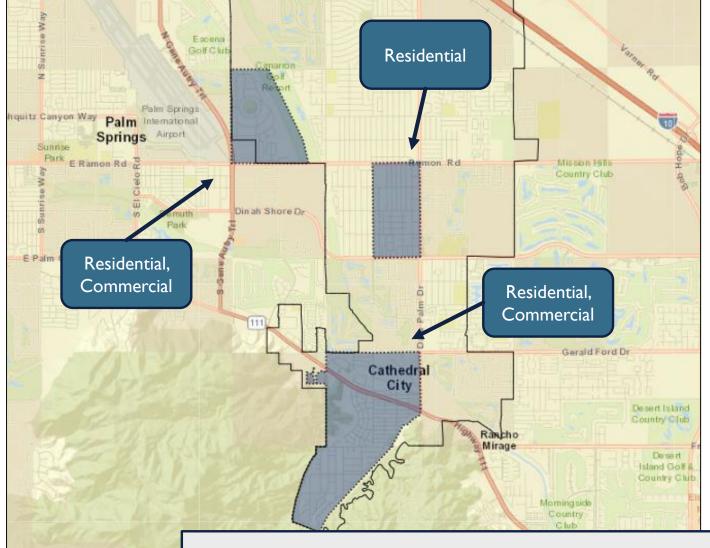




#### **OPPORTUNITY** ZONES **CITY OF DESERT HOT SPRINGS**

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
445.07	Desert Hot Springs; County	2,611
445.09	Desert Hot Springs	563
445.1	Desert Hot Springs	813

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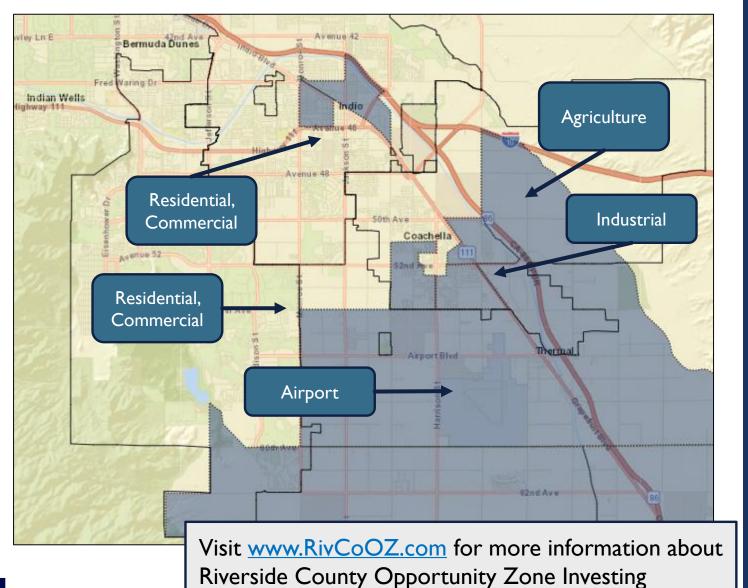


## OPPORTUNITY ZONES CATHEDRAL CITY, PALM SPRINGS

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
447.02	Cathedral City; Palm Springs	403
449.15	Cathedral City	320
450	Cathedral City	877

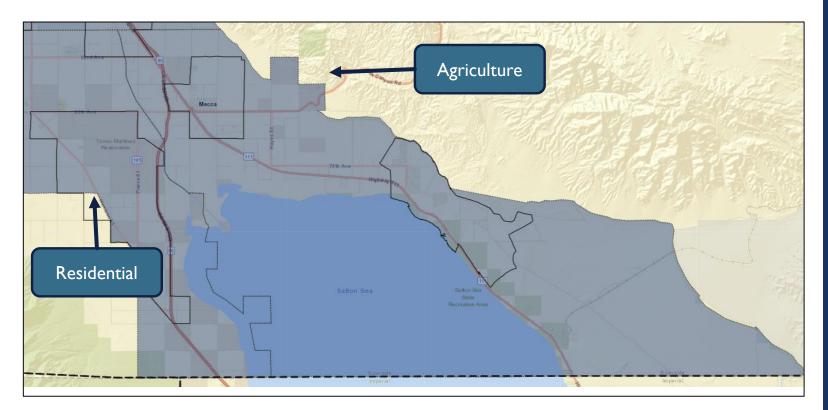
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# OPPORTUNITY ZONES INDIO, COACHELLA, LA QUINTA, COUNTY

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
453.03	Indio	800
455.02	Indio	397
456.09	Coachella; County	22,502
457.05	Coachella	858
457.06	Coachella	685
457.03	Coachella	762
456.05	La Quinta; County	44,282



# OPPORTUNITY ZONES MECCA / SALTON SEA AREA

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
456.05	La Quinta; County	44,282
456.04	County	64,493

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## OPPORTUNITY ZONES BLYTHE

Tract	Jurisdiction	Acres
461.02	Blythe; County	486
462	Blythe; County	2,906

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## RIVERSIDE COUNTY OZ OPPORTUNITY: COMPELLING STRATEGIES AVAILABLE

- Riverside County has 49 Opportunity Zones, totaling 188,700+ Acres across 15 cities and county areas
- Land and infrastructure investment required to help stimulate OZ projects
- Numerous OZ opportunities for multi-jurisdiction cooperation through joint economic development approaches
- Can blend EIFDs (Tax Increment Financing) with OZs
  - EIFDs project sub-areas do not have to be contiguous
  - EIFD project sub-areas can be in multiple jurisdictions
  - EIFDs are 45-year Districts which can benefit from & leverage OZ projects which must occur in early years
- EIFDs can access OPM (Other Public Money \$\$)



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## FEDERAL AND STATE TAX ASPECTS OF THE OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROGRAM AND BEST PRACTICES FOR REAL ESTATE, OPERATING BUSINESSES AND PPP'S

Blake Christian, CPA/ MBT Long Beach & Park City







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- HCVT OZ Practice
  - 6 members
  - 30 client QOF's formed and many more QOZB's
  - Also consult on other Funds nationally 500+ consultations
- Articles/ Podcasts/ Etc. at back of presentation



#### TWO YEARS INTO OZ PROGRAM - WHERE ARE WE?

- 502 QOF's formed by Dec 31, 2019
- 297 Received Equity by Year-end
- \$6.7 Billion in Equity
- \$2 Billion in Equity in December alone Approx. 50?% increase
- Numbers are likely grossly understated
  - Voluntary reporting
  - Large numbers of <u>PRIVATE</u> QOF's/ Family office
  - Year-end rush of <u>formations</u> likely <u>not reported</u> yet
- Clarity in regulations should open the floodgates
- Active businesses are gaining momentum
- Public Private Partnerships getting traction



## OPPORTUNITY ZONE FUNDS – THE BENEFITS

## Federal tax savings related to capital gains portion of investment:

- Deferral of Capital Gains Taxes
  - Until the earlier of 12/31/2026 or exit from Fund 2026 CG Tax Rates??
- Step-up in Tax Basis Fund Tax Basis starts at \$0 due to deferred gain
  - 5 year hold basis increased 10%
  - 7 year hold (or more) basis increased another 5% deadline was 12/31/2019.
    Minor Difference 1.2%
- Elimination of Post-Reinvestment Appreciation
  - 10 year hold no capital gains tax on post- re-investment gains
- Cumulative tax depreciation permanently excluded from recapture due to 100% basis increase after 10 years





## 5 MYTHS ABOUT THE OZ PROGRAM

- 1. Only taxpayers with long-term capital gains can participate in the OZ Program.
- 2. The 180-day reinvestment period required to transfer funds into a Qualified Opportunity Fund (QOF) begins to run on the date of sale.
- 3. Taxpayers can invest into an existing business located in an OZ and the business will automatically be eligible for all the OZ benefits.
- 4. A taxpayer owning existing OZ land and building(s) can make significant improvements within 30 months, which will make the entire OZ project qualified.
- 5. As long as a taxpayer invests in an OZ census tract, they will benefit under the OZ Program for both federal and state purposes





#### FINAL OZ REGULATIONS ISSUED DECEMBER 18, 2019 – TOP THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

# Two Sets of Proposed Regulations Issued in 2018 and 2019; Final Regulations are Generally Very Taxpayer-Friendly

#### **BASIS**

- 1) GROSS IRS §1231 gains
- 2) Flow-through gains 180-day's start at ORIGINAL due date of the entity's tax return

#### TRANSACTION STRUCTURE

- 3) "Aggregate" approach to the "Substantial Improvement" test ALLOWED
- 4) Related Party rules Con: a QOF sells property and cannot invest gain in related QOF
- 5) Allows a secondary QOF investor to invest before 12/31/2026
- 6) Assets in lieu of cash are Non-Qualified OZ property for purposes of the 90% and 70% test
- 7) Specific Identification is allowed EXCEPT FOR QOF'S FORMED AS PARTNERSHIPS due to basis complexities. An unfortunate conclusion.

#### **DEVELOPMENT**

- 8) Vacant building is now 3 years or less
- 9) Beginning the 30-month improvement period for tangible assets, self-constructed assets will be treated as "acquired" on the date "physical work of a significant nature begins"
- 10) 24-months of relief for delays in construction, and selfconstructed assets are treated as "acquired" when work started

#### **OTHER**

- 11) 6-month "cure period" to fix non-compliance
- 12) The Regulations introduced a Self-De-Certification option for taxpayers who choose to opt-out of the OZ program
- 13) Anti-abuse examples included



## **OPPORTUNITY ZONES & TRIBAL LANDS**

- Tribal Governments located in one of the 50 states are eligible jurisdictions in which a QOF can be formed. However, the entity will be subject to federal income tax during operating period.
- Leases of tribal lands can be established at less than fair market value without violating the OZ lease provisions.
- Businesses located on Tribal Lands can also achieve other benefits including hiring credits, subsidies, etc.





## **OPPORTUNITY ZONE VS 1031 EXCHANGES**

# **Opportunity Zones**

- Federal tax (but possibly not state) deferral and permanent tax savings. Only capital gains must be reinvested –so possible liquidity
- No 3<sup>rd</sup> party intermediary required
- Real, personal and intangible assets qualify
- Only capital gains can be deferred
- 5, 7, or 10 year holding period required
- No step-up in tax basis to heirs if investor dies prior to end of holding periods
- o Can only defer tax until 12/31/2026
- o Requires full 10 year holding period for full benefit
- After 10 years, any post-investment appreciation in value gets a 100% step-up - forever
- After 10 years, no taxes paid under recapture rules

# 1031 Exchanges

- Federal and state tax deferral only
- All proceeds must be reinvested
- o 3<sup>rd</sup> party intermediary required
- o Only real estate assets qualify
- No mandatory holding period
- Full step-up in tax basis for heirs if investor dies at any time
- Unlimited deferral period
- Requires larger total capital investment to ensure full deferral – ties up more capital
- No step-up in basis for any appreciation in value
- Subject to 1245 recapture rules





## WHICH GAINS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR OZ RE-INVESTMENT?

- Any Long-Term OR Short-Term Capital Gains. Stocks, Collectibles, Real Estate, Businesses, Crypto, Intangibles, etc.
- 2. 180-Day Reinvestment Requirement Tricky
  - i) Stocks and other assets held directly 180 days begins on sale date,
  - ii) 1231/ Business Assets/ and K-1 Gains begin at year-end (12/31) or later *(see next slide)*
  - iii) Election for entity re-investment vs. equity owners
- 3. Special Rules for REIT and RIC dividends
- 4. New Installment Sale rules





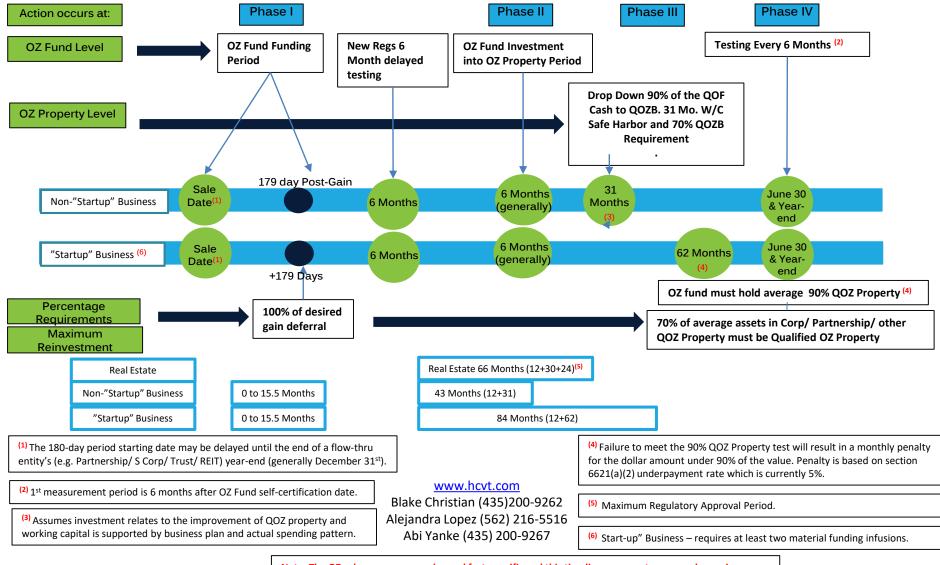
#### **GETTING STARTED: OZ 180-Day Reinvestment Matrix (Final Regulations)**

		Start of the 180-Day Period							
		Proposed Regs (Th		Final Regs (Effective Feb 17th, 2020)					
		Date of Sale / Collection	Investor Year-End	Date of Sale / Collection	Date of Div Pymt	Investor Year-End	Business Year-End	<u>Due Date of Business</u> <u>return (Not Including Any</u> <u>Extensions)</u>	
A.	Direct Capital Gains								
	Non-K-1/ Non-1231	X		X	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
В.	K-1 Reported Capital Gains	X (Entity Election)	X	X (Entity Election)		x	x	X	
	Reported @ Equityholder Level, but entity can elect to invest at entity level					@ Investor Election			
C.	IRC §1231 Gains Netting Required Gross Gains Allowed	N/A N/A	<b>X</b> N/A	N/A X	N/A N/A	N/A X	N/A X	N/A X	
							@ Investo	or Election	
D.	REIT/ RIC Dividends								
	Cash Dividends	N/A	X		X	X	X	N/A	
	Undistributed Capital Gains	N/A	X		N/A	X	X	N/A	
							@ Investor E	lection	
E.	Installment Sales								
	Direct Installment Sale	X		X		X	N/A		
	K-1 Reported Installment Sale	N/A	X	X		X	X	X	
	1231 Related Installment Sales	N/A	X	X		X	X	X	
							@ Investor E	lection	

\*This is a general overview. OZ rules are very fact specific, so consult with your tax advisor to confirm gain eligibility and 180-day reinvestment window.



# OPPORTUNITY ZONE GATING TIMELINE



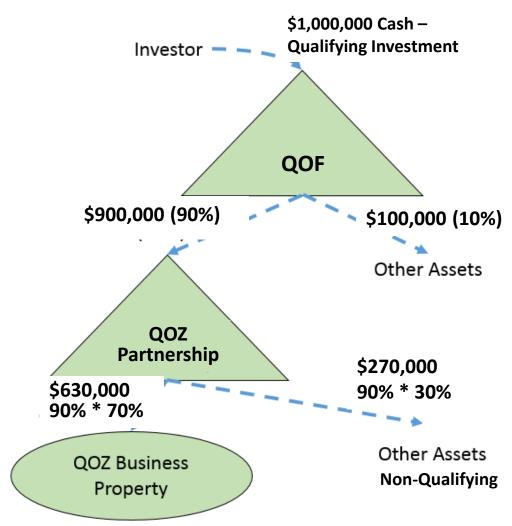


Note: The OZ rules are very complex and fact-specific and this timeline represents a general overview.



## DIRECT VS. TWO TIER STRUCTURE: TWO TIER IS TYPICALLY THE WINNER

- Only 63+% of assets need to be QOZ Business
   Property
  - 90% of assets of QOF's property must be QO Zone Property, 70% of tangible personal property owned or leased by QOZ Partnership must be QOZ Business Property
- 31-month/ 62-month working capital safe harbor for active businesses
- If partnerships used, liabilities increase equityholders' outside basis
- Sale of 100% of QOZ Partnership treated by purchaser as asset purchase – benefit of steppedup basis in asset-





# STRUCTURING ISSUES- EXISTING OWNERS NEED TO BEWARE

- 1. When the assets are already owned by one or more of the investors
- 2. Related-Party provision kicks in at a relatively low >20% common ownership
- 3. Treasury did not back-off on the Related Party (20-percent equity/ income participation) Rules
- 4. Under the new interpretation two things happen:
  - The tax gain is not triggered and is therefore not an eligible source for reinvestment into ANY QOF and
  - The property which is now treated as NOT purchased by the QOF or QOZB is not treated as Qualified Opportunity Zone Property for purposes of the 90-percent QOF and 70-percent QOZB tests
- 5. Asset will be a non-qualified OZ asset; however, if the value is less than 30% of the total QOZB assets, no harm
- 6. Gain triggered on Related-Party sale is not eligible for reinvestment into QOF
- 7. If the gain is immediately reinvested into a QOF or QOZB IRS treats as a tax-free transaction under 351(Corp) or 751(Pts)
- 8. Work-Arounds





## GENERAL OPTIONS & COMMON ISSUES FOR CURRENT OWNERS

## **General Options for Current Landowners**

- 1. Sell the Land to a Qualified Opportunity Fund (QOF) or a Qualified Opportunity Zone Business (QOZB);
- 2. Contribute the Land to the QOF
- The Landowner can Enter into a Ground Lease with the QOF or QOZB
- 4. Land Swaps / Section 1031 Like-Kind Exchanges

# Common Issue Landowner has held property before 2018

- OZ Program Requires Property to be Acquired by Purchase After December 31, 2017
- If the Property Owner Owns More Than 20% of the QOF That Buys the Property
  - Generally no Gain Triggered on Transfer so Ineligible Gain to Reinvest
  - If Taxpayer Has Gain From Another Investment – May Work
  - QOF can Have 10% "Bad Assets" and Subsidiary QOZB can have to 30% "Bad Assets"
- Complicates Development, but Various Structures Can Allow OZ Participation



# GENERAL FUNDING OPTIONS FOR QOFS

#### **QOF REAL ESTATE FUNDING OPTIONS**

Fund Investor's Property Use

**GAIN TRIGGERED?** 

ELIGIBLE FOR OZ REINVESTMENT?

ELIGIBLE FOR OZ STEP-UPS?

Eligible as QOZB Property?\*\*

**OTHER ISSUES** 

SALE	CONTRIBUTION	LEASE		
Yes	Generally No*	No		
Yes - Cash	Yes - Property Value up to Tax Basis	No		
Yes to Extent of Gain –Need to watch 20% Related-Party Rule		Underlying property gets no step-ups in years 5, 7 and 10		
No	No	Yes		
Evaluate State OZ Conformity	1) Must generate gain from another asset 2) To the extent FMV > Tax Basis, that portion creates an OZ ineligible Mixed Fund 3) Side-steps Related Party Rules	1) Underlying property gets no step-ups in years 5, 7 and 10 2) Complicates Economics		

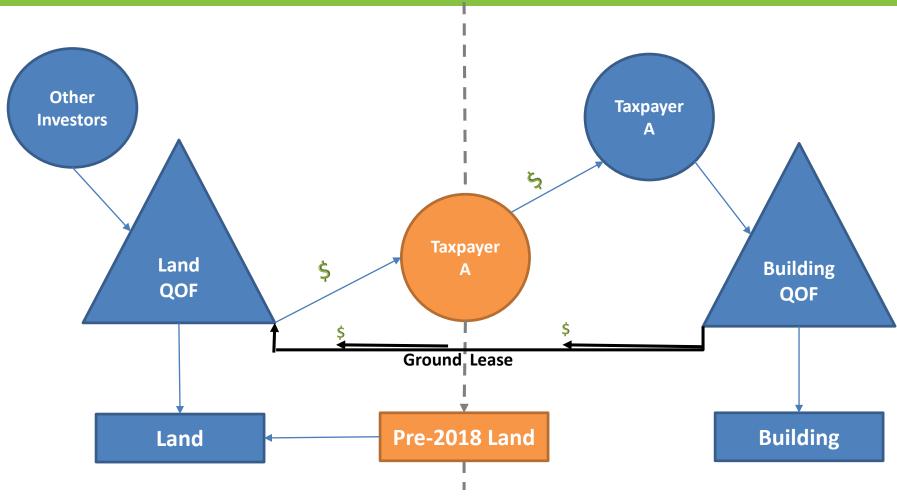
<sup>\*</sup> Unless Liabilities exceed Tax Basis



<sup>\*\*</sup> Consider installment sale



# POSSIBLE SPLIT QOF'S TO AVOID RELATED PARTY RULES



<sup>\*</sup> Uncertain whether Anti-Abuse provisions would preclude such structures.



# OPERATING BUSINESSES VS. REAL ESTATE PROJECTS

- 1. Trump Administration and State and City agencies view operating businesses as An OZ priority
- 2. Investors/ Funds will be looking for "shovel ready" projects in order to meet the 90% rule
- 3. Investors/ Funds will also be looking for the highest after-tax ROI, so both federal and state tax impact will be evaluated. CA residents will still be taxed on out-of-state re-investments.
- 4. After-tax ROI on OZ investments can easily double or triple ROI, as compared to non-OZ investments. However, 10-year hold is needed to justify making the investment.
- 5. While Real Estate investments will likely represent the lion's share of dollar investments, entrepreneurs should view OZ Census Tracts as ideal places to start new businesses.
  - I. A business can be started much more quickly than a real estate project
  - II. Appreciation of a business will often outpace a real estate project higher ROI
  - III. New or existing OZ operating businesses (e.g. mfg., distr., tech., etc.) will create more permanent jobs and also generate a multiplier effect in the community
  - IV. Acquiring or starting OZ-based operating business will require less capital outlay from investors.





## LEGAL STRUCTURING ISSUES FOR OZ OPERATING BUSINESSES

- 1. The tax step-up in years 5, 7 and 10 take place at the OZ Fund level vs. operating entity level; therefore, multiple OZ Funds for each specific investments will likely be optimal.
  - I. Establish Separate OZ Funds for:
    - Each Real Estate location
    - Each Operating Entity **possibly split-up intellectual property and operating entities**
  - This will allow more flexibility upon disposition and also potentially offer more legal protection
  - LLC Taxed as a partnership will allow various tax deductions and credits to flow to OZ Fund owner(s). Future step-up potential of assets held by OZ Fund on change in ownership.
  - S Corp creates many issues, including <u>tax basis problems</u> if entity-level debt is added and there is generally no tax step-up potential for assets held by the OZ Fund.
  - Operating Businesses meeting the IRC Section 1202 Qualified Small Business Stock tests C
     Corp can be evaluated from an international planning perspective. Start-up losses trapped, but may allow more deferral of income during profitable years.





# **QOF SELF-CERTIFICATION**

# QOFs must file Form 8996 annually Purpose of the form:

- 1. **Certify** that organized to invest in qualified opportunity zone property
  - C or S Corporation, or
  - II. Entity taxed as partnership
- 2. To report **semi-annually** that the QOF either:
  - I. Meets the investment standard, or
  - II. Calculate the penalty for failing to meet investment standard –5% current annualized penalty





## OZ PUBLIC / PRIVATE CASE STUDY – LONG BEACH

# \$500 Million Downtown Long Beach Mixed-Use Project

Boutique Hotel Student Transportation

Condominiums Innovation Space

Student Housing Retail

University Museum Office Space





## 5 WAYS TO LEVERAGE THE OZ PROGRAM

- 1. Safety Net For a "Blown 1031 Exchange" -- A Four-Year Replacement Window
- 2. Holders of Investments in Dysfunctional Partnerships/ Real Estate Trapped in S Corp
- 3. Ideal Entity Choice Not What it Used to Be
- 4. Operating Businesses Potential Exit in 5 Years Rather Than 10 IRC Section 1202 Qualified Small Business Stock
- 5. Leveraging is Your Friend in the Land of OZ



# **BREAK**

# **QUESTIONS?**

## Up Next -

- Utilizing Opportunity Zones and Layering Other Tools for Economic Development
- What's Next for Opportunity Zones in Riverside County

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# **OPPORTUNITY ZONES**

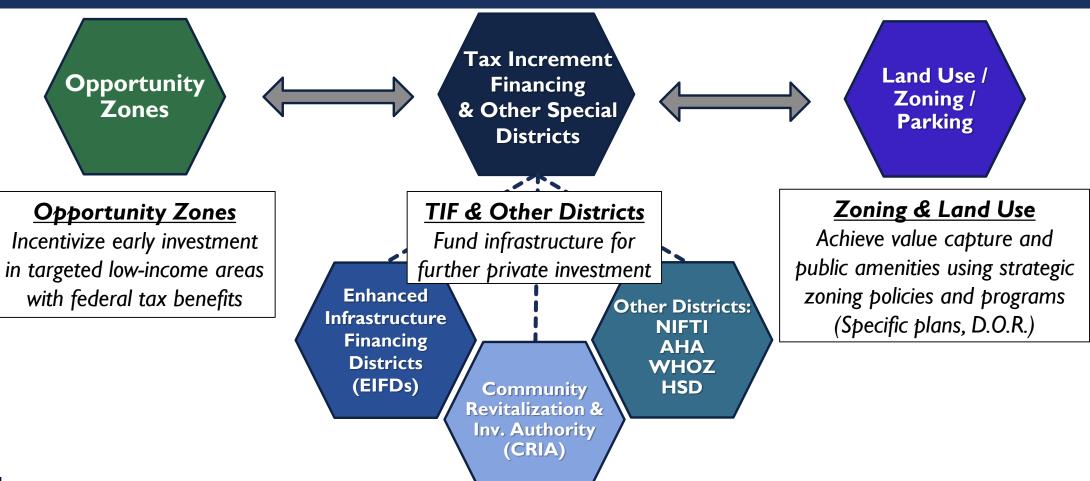


# "WE ALSO WANT TO PAIR EIFDS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY ZONES. THIS IS THE BIG IDEA."

— **Gov. Newsom** January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 2019-2020 State Budget Release



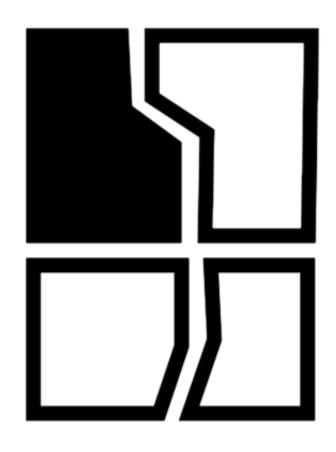
# RIVERSIDE COUNTY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOOLKIT LAYER OZs, TIF DISTRICTS & ZONING





# TAX INCREMENT DISTRICTS USED FOR ECON. DEV. EIFD & CRIA

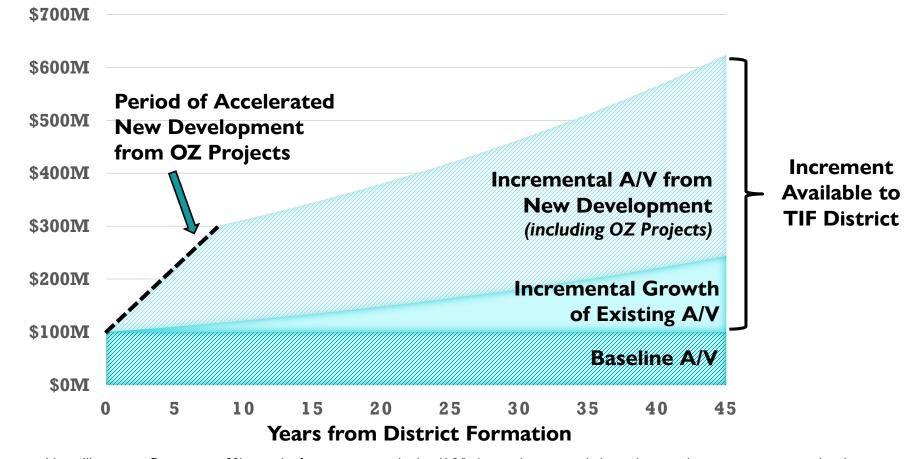
- Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (EIFDs) and Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities (CRIAs) are TIF tools used by cities and counties to fund infrastructure projects, sustainability and both market rate and affordable housing
- These districts can last for up to <u>45 years</u> and are governed by a <u>public authority</u> and a <u>financing plan</u>
- These districts work by dedicating a <u>portion of future property</u> <u>tax revenue</u> (tax increment) in the district to specific <u>infrastructure</u> <u>projects</u> that will drive additional economic growth
- Eligible Infrastructure Projects: useful life of 15+ years, community-wide significance
- Formation process includes public hearings and majority protest opportunity (process and other rules/requirement differ significantly based on specific District)





# EIFD TAX INCREMENT MECHANICS

Assessed
Value (A/V)
within TIF
District
Boundaries





Note: Illustrative. Conservative 2% growth of existing assessed value (A/V) shown; does not include mark-to-market increases associated with property sales.

# OZs & EIFDS ARE VERY COMPATIBLE AND CAN ATTRACT OTHER FUNDING SOURCES



Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts (EIFDs) can fund needed infrastructure, but lack front-end capital. **OZ**Projects can fill that gap & reap the benefits of tax-exempt infrastructure financing



EIFDs improve eligibility for Federal and State grant and loan monies (DOT, EPA, EDA funds, and more...)



Many Opportunity Zones are **SB535** eligible (disadvantaged census tract areas) and may also be eligible for **New Market Tax Credits** (NMTC)



Other Funding Sources: Cap & Trade proceeds, HCD grant / loan program, Prop I bond funds, SB 2 funds, Development Agreement / impact fees, benefit assessments, etc.



# TAX INCENTIVES TO COMBINE WITH OPPORTUNITY ZONE PROGRAM



Federal and State Grants/ CA Competes Program



New Market Tax Credit Program



State and Federal Hiring Credits – WOTC / Enterprise Zone Programs



Green Credit / LEED Incentives



State Training Program Funds



Equipment Credits / Manufacturing Exemption



Research & Development Credit Programs



IRC Section 1202 Qualified Small Business Stock (N/A for CA)



# OZ PROJECTS AS PUBLIC / PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS: CONSIDERATIONS

- 1) Consider Front-end Timing Pressures and deadlines for QOFs/OZ investors
- 2) Prioritize City / County Projects
- 3) Market to Proper OZ Funds/ Developers /Businesses who are positioned to act
- 4) Evaluate Pre-Development entitling / Infrastructure investment to fast-track
- 5) Consider waiving or reducing development fees
- 6) Consider contributing land / property or deferred payment on sale.
- 7) Watch IRC Section 118 re tax subsidies as reportable income to **Non-Corp** taxpayers.
- 8) Evaluate projects such as water-treatment / co-generation plants / projects with high percentage of fast-depreciating equipment.



# OZ CASE STUDY KOKOMO, INDIANA

- City of Kokomo is Building a New Convention Center:
  - Conference Center
  - Hotel
  - Parking Garage
- City is Incentivizing QOF (Hotel) by Providing:
  - Free Land
  - Various Local Tax Incentives
- <u>Caution:</u> IRC Section 118 Can Generate Taxable Income to Developer Unless Structured as a Corporation (S or C). Can create tax issues for OZ investors.







# OZ'S AS PART OF YOUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAYBOOK

# **OFFENSE**

**Opportunity Zones** 

Opportunity Zones
Incentivize early investment
in targeted low-income areas
w/ federal tax benefits

Special
Districts
Tax Increment
Financing
CFDs

#### **TIF & Other Districts**

Fund infrastructure for future private investment with **EIFDs, CRIAs, other state special districts** 

BENCH: "OPM: Other Public Money" Cap & Trade, Prop 68, State Housing Funds

# **DEFENSE**

Land Use Zoning Parking

#### **Zoning & Land Use**

Guide value capture & overhead management with strategic policies and programs such as "Development Opportunity Reserve"

Reduce Debt & Asset Sales

#### Reduce Debt Costs & Asset Sales

Enhance liquidity by **Refinancing** and **Pension Obligation Bonds:** take advantage of lower interest rates/payments

Excess properties can be sold or put into real estate transactions to create liquidity and leverage; new Surplus Land Act requirements



# OPPORTUNITY ZONE CASE STUDY CITY OF EL CAJON

**City-owned** 

**Parking Lot** 

The City of El Cajon in San Diego County has five contiguous Opportunity Zone census tracts, generally centered around the Civic Center along Main Street.



# OPPORTUNITY ZONE CASE STUDY CITY OF EL CAJON-CIVIC CENTER OZ PROJECTS

- City is seeking Civic Center improvements as well as private sector investment; City wants revitalized commercial and blended-use developments to occur along Main Street / El Cajon Blvd. Corridor & connectivity to El Cajon Transit Center
- Kosmont developing City Approach to OZ Civic Center Projects:
  - <u>Layer</u> OZ incentives, EIFDs, state/federal grants, and other E.D. tools to catalyze development in Civic Center / Downtown area
  - **First, select** private sector hotel expansion as initial effort:
    - City controls land
    - Hotel generates TOT revenue
    - Creates jobs / stimulates economic activity
  - Also, consider public facility improvements (such as City Hall) via P3 transaction structure
- Next Step: Council Workshop to consider options



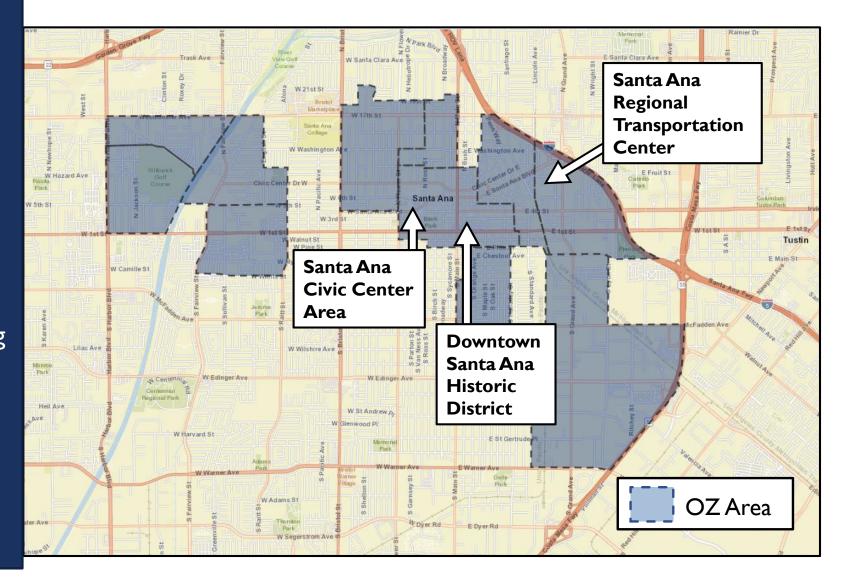


**Police** 

**Station** 

# OZ CASE STUDY SANTA ANA

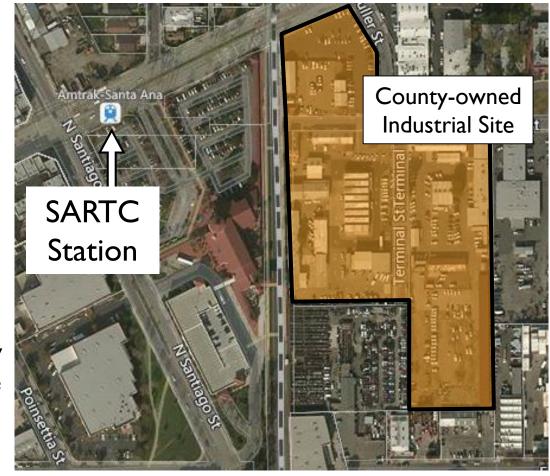
The City of Santa Ana in Orange County has eleven Opportunity Zone census tracts, running along 1st St and Grand Ave., including the Civic Center area.





# OPPORTUNITY ZONE CASE STUDY SANTA ANA

- The City wants to see transit-oriented residential and blended-use developments occur, particularly the Santa Ana Downtown / Civic Center / Transit areas.
- Kosmont is working with City to explore EIFD / OZ strategies:
  - Leveraging planning decisions
  - Educating and Connecting property owners & developers
  - Streamlining approval processes for preferred solutions
- One potential OZ public-private deal could involve County-owned land adjacent to SARTC, which is currently being promoted by County of Orange – County Executive Office Real Estate





# OPPORTUNITY ZONE CASE STUDY SANTA ANA

- City/County approved an affordable housing project;
   adjacent privately owned sites ready for redevelopment proximate to Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center.
- Kosmont has led outreach with property owners and developers and is in process of helping City screen multiple deals for the OZ marketplace.

## Next Steps:

- Determine disposition / acquisition potential of OZ privately owned property & City support for project
- Conduct Due Diligence on property and possible outreach to infill developer(s) / OZ investors
- Follow up with Owner on next steps, sale requirements/exit strategy, and structure of participation in OZ investment (e.g. passive, active, real estate, business)





## OPPORTUNITY ZONE CASE STUDY PLACENTIA







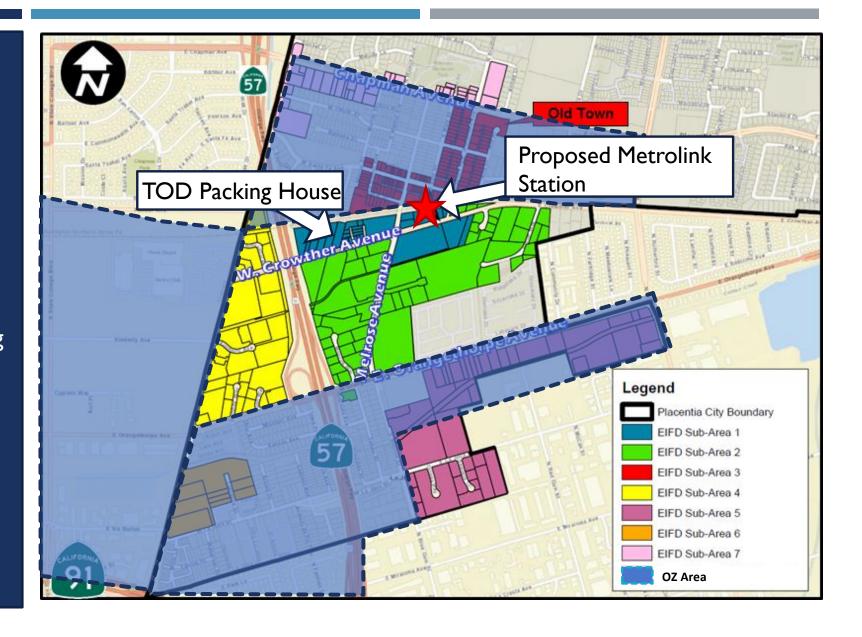


- City adopted an EIFD in July 2019, which includes strategic overlap with Opportunity Zone areas.
- The EIFD includes downtown commercial areas, transit stations, including Opportunity Zone areas:
  - 300+ acres; \$365M current AV: > \$460M new AV
  - County is a partner in the EIFD / Public Financing Authority
  - Net Fiscal Benefit: \$22M to City, \$15M to County
- Variety of OZ Projects Being Considered: residential, retail, restaurant
- The EIFD will fund vital local infrastructure improvements: street improvements, parking, transit station connectivity



#### OZ CASE STUDY PLACENTIA

City of Placentia and Orange County created an EIFD in Placentia's Packing House / Old Town Districts (forming in July 2019) that includes OZ areas.





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## OZ FUNDS SEEKING INVESTMENTS OPPORTUNITY AND CHALLENGES IN CALIFORNIA

## California is typically a strong investor market:

- Climate
- Labor Force
- Diversification
- Port Activity
- Quality of Life

#### California has some OZ challenges:

- OZ Competition in 49 States
- Slow/Costly Entitlement Process & Local Government Approvals
- CEQA Timing and Litigation Exposure
- State Tax Conformance with OZs

Communities are preparing for OZ investment through education, engagement, and implementation



#### STATE CONFORMITY WITH FEDERAL TAX BENEFITS

- 35 States have conformed to the federal OZ statute
- Non-Conforming states:
  - California 13.3% Capital Gain Rate .> \$1M of Taxable Income (Economic Development Disadvantage)
  - Massachusetts (Pending)
  - Mississippi
  - North Carolina
- Consider 1031 for R/E transactions in non-conforming states. Contribute Property.
- Watch for some states that require "in-state" OZ replacement
- Consider tax impact from future change in residency
- If an active business consider C Corp status flat 21% federal rate and gain sourced to state of residency vs. corporate location
- State issues for multi-asset public funds

Partially Conforming	Non- Conforming	No Cap Gains
Arkansas*	California	Alaska
Hawaii*	Mississippi	Florida
Massachusetts*	North Carolina	Nevada
	Massachusetts (Individual)*	New Hampshire
		South Dakota
		Tennessee
		Texas
		Washington
		Wyoming

<sup>\*</sup> Each Partially conforming state has unique criteria / elements of conformity; please refer to other resources for additional information.



#### CALIFORNIA RESPONSES TO OZ CHALLENGES

#### OZ Income Tax Conformity with Feds (Failed in 2019; Back in 2020 session?)

- **Challenge**: CA not aligned with Fed. OZ tax policy, limiting investor benefit of CA projects; most other states conform (or do not have income tax), limiting CA competitiveness
- **Solution**: Conforms CA personal income tax & corporation tax law to federal OZ tax treatment (possibly limited for state priorities: **green technology** & **affordable housing**). Criteria allows incentives to be layered with Infill Infrastructure Grants to incentivize housing development.

#### Streamlining CEQA for OZ Projects (SB25 - Failed in 2019; Sen. Caballero in 2020 session?)

- Challenge: CEQA process can exceed the 30-month timeline for OZ investment; investors hesitant to take on timing risks
- Solution: Fast-tracks CEQA procedures for OZ Projects: 270-day timeline; only appeal analysis
- Revised working capital safe-harbor in Federal regs likely helps address this challenge

#### **Infill Infrastructure Grant Program (2019/20 Budget)**

• \$500 million for infrastructure gap funding, to support higher-density affordable/mixed-income housing. Focus on infill areas in OZs to guide investment toward housing



#### FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE / REGULATORY ACTIVITY

#### Potential Federal Legislation

- Reporting / Transparency: Multiple bills proposed to increase transparency and add reporting requirements; gather information on number of QOF investments, assets held in QOFs, impact of OZ designation on economic indicators (job creation, poverty reduction, etc.)
- Technical Correction Legislation: Zone designations, technical cleanup needed for regulations, etc.

#### Federal Regulations

- Final Regulations: Issued by Treasury / IRS on December 19th; provide clarity on key regulatory areas
- Ongoing Regulatory Actions: Some minor regulatory changes / guidance likely as the program matures



#### **OZ INVESTMENT IN 2020**

- Final Regulations Generally Provide More Flexibility to Both R/E and Operating Business Projects
- Public QOF's Will Likely Continue to Struggle
- Private QOF's Will Continue to Thrive
- PPP are Ripe for Development But The Fast Will Eat The Slow
- Be Proactive/ Identify Desired Projects / Fast-Track



#### OZ FUNDS SEEKING INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Opportunity Zone Funds are Forming Across the Country**

- Novogradac: \$6.72 billion of reported equity raised; \$68.55 billion of community development investment capacity across 502 tracked funds<sup>1</sup>
- NCSHA: Over 190 OZ funds (~\$45 billion capacity) formed; of these, 77 funds (~\$32 billion capacity) have a nationwide or California focus<sup>2</sup>

#### **Diverse Preferences for Investment Types**

- Driven by Investment Certainty, best returns, and project timing
- Urban & Suburban
- Real Estate & Business Operations
- Residential & Commercial Development
- Existing & Emerging Businesses
- Community-based Investing

### OZ Funds Preparing & Searching for Opportunities More funds are expected to form, along with private OZ investors

- Many funds developing investor prospectuses All funds are seeking investable projects many using OppSites Marketplace



2 National Council of State Housing Agencies (NCSHA), Opportunity Zone Directory, Updated December 17, 2019





## HOW CAN RIVERSIDE COUNTY COMMUNITIES ATTRACT OZ FUNDS?

Educate	city council, staff, and community on Opportunity Zones (Workshops
ldentify	key projects, property owners, and stakeholders in OZ areas
Develop	an OZ investment strategy – consider joint City/County Opportunities
Update	Update SP plan and zoning to align with targets; create EIFDs/CRIAs
Streamline	local project approval processes and align with CEQA
Create	OZ Workplan to market target projects to OZ investors



## KEY QUESTIONS FOR PICKING OPPORTUNITY ZONE PRIORITIES

- I. Which OZ areas and potential projects have priority, in light of investor interest and development potential?
- 2. Are key infrastructure investments needed in these potential priority OZ areas?
- 3. Should any of these OZ areas be included in an EIFD/CRIA to funded needed infrastructure?
- 4. How should the County and Cities partner on OZs, EIFDs, CRIAs, and other Econ. Dev. Tools?
- 5. Are there additional / special considerations for these areas that impact priority or strategy?
- 6. Which opportunities are ready to be packaged and pitched to OZ funds?



# COMMUNITIES NEED TO TARGET OZ INVESTORS BY DEVELOPING OZ PROSPECTUS

WITH OVER 8,000 APPROVED OZS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, COMPETITION FOR OPPORTUNITY FUND INVESTMENT IS HIGH

**Top-level Storytelling** 

Highlight growth and vision for city's future

**Regional Momentum** 

Discuss econ. & demographic indicators, recent & expected development/growth

Economic Development Planning & Zoning Updates

Show city's comprehensive preparation & commitment to OZ development

Streamlined Local Processes

Ease timing concerns and improve city's competitiveness

**Other Funding Sources** 

Pair OZs to enhance economic viability of projects (e.g. EIFD, TIF, NMTC, etc.)

**Target Areas** 

Describe key locations of growth in city

**Target Projects/Sites** 

Provide descriptions of prime opportunities for OZ investment



#### **OPPORTUNITY ZONE RESOURCES**

#### **OppSites - Opportunity Zone Marketplace**

https://oppsites.com/

#### **HCVT Opportunity Zone landing page**

https://www.hcvt.com/services-Federal-Qualified-Opportunity-Zone.html

#### **Kosmont Opportunity Zone Landing Page**

https://www.kosmont.com/services/opportunity-zones/

#### **OZ Book** – "How To OZ: A Guide to Opportunity Zones"

#### **Novogradac Opportunity Funds Listing & Resources**

https://www.novoco.com/resource-centers/opportunity-zone-resource-center/opportunity-funds-listing

#### **Accounting Today Landing Page**

https://www.accountingtoday.com/author/blake-christian

#### **Las Vegas Opportunity Zone Investors**

https://www.meetup.com/Opportunity-Zone-Investing-Group/events/267281486/?isFirstPublish=true

#### **Opportunity Zone Marketplace**

www.opportunityzonesauthority.com www.QOZmarketplace.com

#### **Riverside County OZ**

www.RivCoOZ.com

#### **U.S.** Department of the Treasury

https://www.cims.cdfifund.gov/preparation/?config=config\_nmtc.xml

#### **IRS**

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-and-treasury-finalize-opportunity-zone-guidance

#### **IRS - Final Regulations FAQ**

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/opportunity-zones-frequently-asked-questions

#### California OZ Link

http://dof.ca.gov/Forecasting/Demographics/opportunity\_zones/

#### **Nevada OZ Link**

http://business.nv.gov/Resource\_Center/Access\_to\_Capital/Opportunity\_Zones/

#### **Community Development Financial Institutions Fund**

https://www.cdfifund.gov/Pages/Opportunity-Zones.aspx

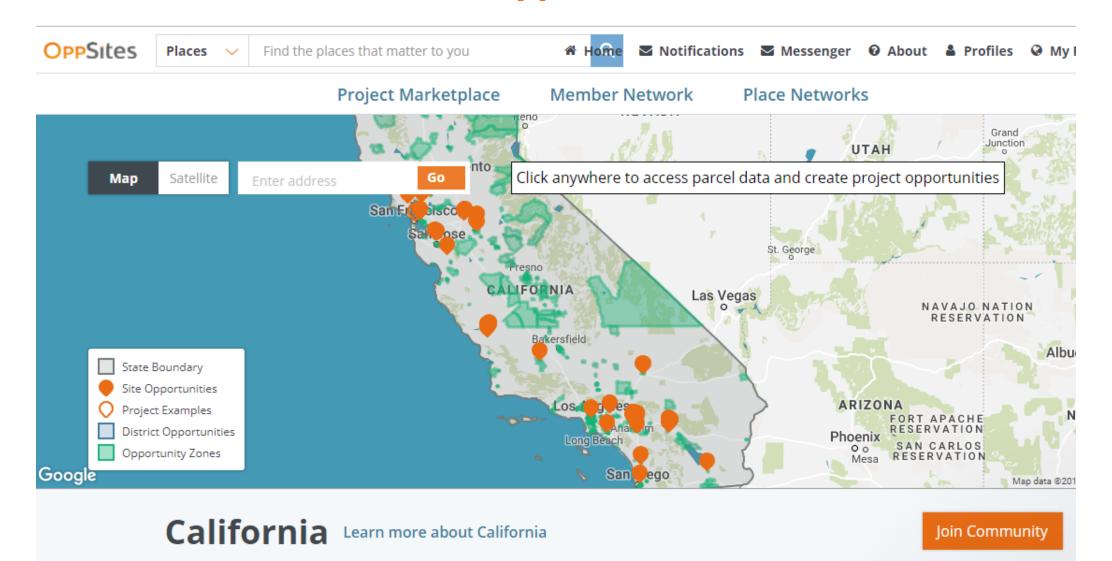






#### **State of California OZ Marketplace**

#### www.Oppsites.com



## Riverside County Opportunity Zone Resource www.RivCoOZ.com

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#### **Riverside County**

#### **Opportunity Zones**

Riverside County is the best investment opportunity in Southern California for purchasing land or a building, constructing a new building, or investing in a business. Acting as the gateway to Southern California and major U.S. markets, there are 49 Opportunity Zones spread over the county's 7,300 square miles in both large and small cities.

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#### WHAT'S NEXT FOR OZ INVESTMENT

California's Opportunity Zones are competing nationally for OZ Fund attention: Counties & Cities need to work together to overcome challenges & attract investment.

#### 1. Prospectus & Analysis

Identify OZ Vision and Pursue Targets for OZ Development

#### 2. Active Marketing

Use OppSites & Other Services to Engage Funds

Counties & Cities Working to Attract Investment

#### 3. OZ Fund Matchmaking Support

Connect Target Projects with Investors and Funds

#### 4. Negotiation/Transaction Support

Assist with OZ Fund Deal Structuring



## THANK YOU QUESTIONS?

For information and assistance about Opportunity Zone Investment in Riverside County, visit <a href="https://www.RivCoOZ.com">www.RivCoOZ.com</a> or call (951) 955 – 0493.

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