

Appendix A
Survey Document

CASTLE VALLEY GENERAL PLAN SURVEY SEPTEMBER 2012

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Its purpose is to gather information from the community to help us update the Town's General Plan, which is done every five years. Your answers are a crucial part of this process. The Town will hold a public meeting, after the surveys are mailed, to help clarify any questions on the survey and will hold additional public meetings with more detailed discussions after the results of the surveys are compiled. *Please be aware that not all goals inquired about will be achievable in the next five years.* To protect your confidentiality, please do not put your name or lot # on the survey. **On each question, please fill-in your answer or circle your answer for multiple choice and yes/no questions.** Use the last page of the survey for fill-in questions that require more space to answer.

For instructions on returning surveys, see the last page.

STATISTICS

Please help us learn more by giving us some information about yourself with the following questions:

Are you a (circle all that apply):

Resident Part-time Resident Property Owner Renter Non-Resident Property Owner

Number of people in your Castle Valley household? _____

How old is each person in your household (please list ages)? _____

Number of years you have owned land in Castle Valley? _____

Number of years you have been residing in Castle Valley? _____

Are you a registered voter in Castle Valley? Yes No

If you are not a resident, do you plan to make Castle Valley your primary residence in the future? Yes No

Are you currently renting out a home that you own in Castle Valley? Yes No

At what stage of development is your property (circle all that apply): Permanent Housing Temporary Housing
 Actively Building Plan to Build a Residence on Lot in the Next Five Years No Housing on Lot

SECTION A - WATER & SEPTIC

A1 Do you have a well? Yes No

A2 If yes, do you drink your well water? Yes No

A3 If you do have a well, do you currently treat or filter the water from it? Yes No

A4 Why do you treat/filter your well water (circle all that apply)?

Water hardness Make it healthier to drink Make it potable Don't treat/filter it Other (please list): _____

A5 Do you use a water softener to treat your water? Yes No

A6 If you do not have a well, why not (circle all that apply)?

Poor water quality Lack of water availability Cost of drilling Have not developed property yet

Other (please list): _____

A7 If a suitable site could be located, would you favor the Town spending money to install and maintain a municipal well and pump (not a Valley-wide water distribution system) for self-service fills, especially those with wells not producing potable water (*such a municipal well would be considered a public water system if it serves an average of at least 25 individuals daily, at least 60 days out of the year, and would thereby give the Town's aquifer greater protection under the State's Water Source Protection Program*)?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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Septic systems pose one of the biggest potential threats to our aquifer. Please help us learn more about the health of existing systems and whether or not you favor certain septic monitoring practices by answering the following questions:

A8 When was your septic system installed? In the last (circle one):

0-5 years 5-10 years 10 – 15 years Over 15 years Don't Know

A9 When was your septic system last pumped? In the last (circle one):
 0-5 years 5-10 years 10 – 15 years Over 15 years Never Don't Know

A10 Do you favor a Town regulation requiring a certificate of septic pumping, or a statement by a company that performs septic pumping stating that the system is properly functioning, upon sale of property?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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A11 Do you favor the Town requiring risers on septic tanks on new construction? (Risers would bring the surface of the tank closer to the ground surface allowing easier access for monitoring and pumping of septic systems with an approximate cost of \$100 - \$300 depending on length of riser needed.)

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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SECTION B – AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK

B1 Do you feel that agriculture and livestock contribute to the reasons you have property in Castle Valley or enjoy living here?
 Yes No

B2 Do you feel that rural character and/or natural landscaping conditions contribute to the reasons you have property in Castle Valley or enjoy living here?
 Yes No

B3 Do you favor the Town continuing to spend money and sponsoring events on invasive noxious weed education and removal?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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B4 Do you favor educating and encouraging property owners to use non-toxic herbicides and/or pesticides on their property?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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B5 Do you currently use non-organic herbicides and/or pesticides on your property? Yes No

B6 Do you favor the Town educating and sponsoring events on effective and non-toxic grasshopper control for property owners?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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SECTION C – QUALITY OF LIFE

C1 If the BLM/SITLA land swap does not go through would you favor the Town pursuing all possible options to keep these open lands in the upper part of the valley from being developed?
 Yes No

C2 Is dust control on your road a concern? Yes No

C3 Do you favor the Town exploring senior housing options for Castle Valley residents?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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C4 If yes, what kind of senior housing would you support (i.e. multi-family dwellings, assisted living etc.)? _____

SECTION D – ECONOMY

D1 Do you currently have a home-based business in Castle Valley? Yes No

D2 Do you plan to add a new home-based business in Castle Valley in the future? Yes No

D3 What type of home or premises occupations and associated activities are: a) appropriate for Castle Valley (please list)?

b) inappropriate for Castle Valley (please list)? _____

SECTION E – ORDINANCE & ENFORCEMENT

E1 Do you currently have a problem with your neighbor’s lighting? Yes No

E2 Do you currently have a problem with barking dogs? Yes No

E3 Do you currently have a problem with dogs running loose in the Town? Yes No

E4 Do you favor the Town amending its Animal Control Ordinance to include a leash law in order to receive animal control services?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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E5 Are you satisfied with the Town’s current enforcement policy? *(The policy seeks to solve ordinance violations first through discussion and mediation rather than Town-initiated inspections, enforcement letters and injunctions, or fines. It requires citizens to file a complaint in order to initiate a review process before a Complaint Resolution Board. For more information please go to the following link on the Town’s website: <http://www.castlevalleyutah.com/complaintprocess.cfm>*

Yes No

E6 Have you ever been a part of a Town complaint/resolution process? Yes No

E7 If yes, were you satisfied with the results? Yes No

E8 If you were not satisfied, please explain why not: _____

E9 If you were involved in a complaint/resolution process, what Town regulation did it involve? _____

E10 Are there any Town ordinances or regulations that you disagree with and if so how would you change them? _____

E11 Are there any new regulations/ordinances you think the Town should adopt? _____

SECTION F – COMMUNITY LIFE & SUSTAINABLE LIVING

F1 Do you favor the Town regulating alternative energy structures that use renewable resources such as windmills, solar panels and solar hot water heaters (circle all that you favor):

By Height By Overall Size To Mitigate Glare/Noise Do not Favor any Regulations

To Allow Property Owners to Exceed a Set Size/Height Limit for Alternative Energy Structures Through a Conditional Use Permit if a Larger System can be Justified

Other (please list): _____

F2 Do you favor having cell phone service in the Valley?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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F3 Should the Town sponsor more opportunities for community gatherings and events? Yes No

If yes, please list the type of gathering/events you would the Town to sponsor: _____

SECTION G – GOVERNMENT

G1 Do you favor the Town being proactive in addressing broader regional issues that have the potential to affect the quality of life in Castle Valley (i.e. water quality, air quality, rural character, peace and quiet, enjoyment of natural surroundings, open space)?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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G2 Do you favor the Town passing any future resolutions that support a political point of view on national issues that have the potential to affect Castle Valley residents?

Strongly in Favor	In Favor	Neutral	Against	Strongly Against
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G3 How do you receive news about the Town government (circle all that apply)?

Town Website Email TI's Castle Valley Comments Attending Meetings
 Town Mailings Other (please list): _____

G4 What suggestions do you have to encourage improved communication between the Town government and the community? _____

G5 What would you suggest to encourage more participation in Town government? _____

SECTION H - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS & OTHER NEW SERVICES

Please prioritize the following projects that may require additional taxes or fees in order to fund, by rating each with:

0 = Do Not Favor if Additional Fees/Taxes are Needed to Fund
1 = Low Priority 2 = Medium Priority 3 = High Priority

- H1** Improvement of road base to limit frost damage along problem areas of Castle Valley Drive (rate 0-3) _____
- H2** Side road improvement and drainage work beyond what is currently budgeted (rate 0-3) _____
- H3** Purchase of additional needed equipment, such as a backhoe, for the Town Road Department (rate 0-3) _____
- H4** Animal Control (rate 0-3) _____
- H5** General commuter van/bus service between Castle Valley and Moab (rate 0-3) _____
- H6** Commuter van/bus to Moab Regional Hospital (rate 0-3) _____
- H7** Improvement of bulletin board and mailbox area including the addition of a covered waiting area (rate 0-3) _____
- H8** Landscaping and beautification of Castle Valley Drive Cemetery beyond what is currently budgeted (rate 0-3) _____
- H9** Emergency Medical Services on call in Castle Valley (rate 0-3) _____
- H10** Monthly or bi-monthly recycling pickup in the Town sponsored by a company such as Green Solutions (rate 0-3) _____
- H11** Municipal well and pump for self-service fills (rate 0-3) _____
- H12** Children's playground equipment on the Town lot (rate 0-3) _____

SECTION I – LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

I1 Which community values and policies do you believe the Town should continue to protect and maintain?

Please prioritize the following community values by rating each with:

0= Do Not Favor Continuing to Protect and Maintain
1= Low Priority 2 = Medium Priority 3 = High Priority

Water Quality _____ Air Quality _____ Protection of the Aquifer _____ Scenic Views _____

Open Space _____ Tranquility/Silence _____ Wild Life Habitat _____ Sustainable Agriculture _____

Sustainable Community Practices _____ Renewable Energy Technologies _____

5-Acre Minimum Lot Size _____ No Commercial Development Beyond What is Currently Allowed _____

Single Family Dwelling per 5-Acre Lot Maximum Density Limit _____

Other High Priority Community Value Not Listed Above: _____

12 Which issues do you believe the Town should make a high priority to develop or improve upon?

Please prioritize the issues below by rating each with:

0= Do Not Favor Continuing to Develop or Improve Upon

1= Low Priority

2 = Medium Priority

3 = High Priority

Valley Trail System _____ Housing Types & Sizes Allowed _____ Septic Regulations _____
Fire Prevention & Suppression _____ Emergency Preparedness _____ Evacuation Policies and Plans _____
Livestock Limits _____ Other High Priority Issues Not Listed Above: _____

13 Please share any additional concerns or suggestions to help address any issues that you indicated in I1 and I2 above as having a high priority: _____

14 What should the Town spend less money on in its overall operating expenses (www.castlevalleyutah.com/finances.cfm)?

15 What should the Town spend more money on in its overall operating expenses (www.castlevalleyutah.com/finances.cfm)?

16 What do you like best about life in Castle Valley? _____

17 What do you like least about living in Castle Valley? _____

18 Please tell us about your vision for the Valley. How would you want Castle Valley to look 20 years from now? What would you like to have stay the same? What would you like to have change? _____

To help us further evaluate this survey, please list any question that you found unclear or ambiguous: _____

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED SURVEYS BY OCTOBER 31, 2012 BY MAIL TO (do not return "The Healthy Septic Information Sheet/Do Not Flush List" with surveys):

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