## 6.0 RESOURCES GROUP

The Resources Group includes General Plan elements addressing the preservation, management, and utilization of Shasta County's natural resources. The individual elements included in the Shasta County General Plan reflect both required and optional subject areas outlined in the General Plan Guidelines, and are listed below.

- Agricultural Lands
- Timber Lands
- Minerals
- Energy
- Air Quality
- Water Resources and Water Quality
- Fish and Wildlife Habitat
- Scenic Highways
- Open Space and Recreation
- Heritage Resources

As a group these elements address the range of opportunities presented by a diverse County resource base including opportunities for resource management, tourism, recreation, and aesthetic enjoyment. Together these opportunities contribute to the County's attractiveness and desirability for residence.

These resources are all sensitive to human activities and may be destroyed or degraded if not addressed in the planning process. Thus, while it is important to maintain these resources for their direct and indirect benefits to people, protection and maintenance for their inherent ecological values must be recognized as well.

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