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The San Joaquin County 2035 General Plan is dedicated to the memory of Ted Holzem, Principal Planner with Mintier Harnish. Ted passed away unexpectedly on May 10, 2016, from complications related to an undiagnosed brain tumor. Ted was 36 years old.



Ted was part of the original consulting team selected in 2008 to assist San Joaquin County with the 2035 General Plan Update. He was promoted to Project Manager the next year and was a key project team leader throughout the remainder of the project. Ted's relentless drive to explore new ideas and more effective planning methods was instrumental in making the General Plan Update an innovative, effective process that provided the opportunity for hundreds of County residents to voice their ideas and vision for the future of San Joaquin County. As a result of Ted's outstanding project management, San Joaquin County is able to adopt an innovative, effective, contemporary General Plan that reflects the goals and expectations of County staff, the Planning Commission, and the Board of Supervisors.



Ted spent the majority of his career at Mintier Harnish, where he began as an Assistant Planner in 2003 and was most recently promoted to Principal Planner in 2015. He set a high standard as a project manager. He was organized, attentive to details, and passionate about getting it right. He was intellectually curious, ambitious to master emerging planning practices, and eager to share what he learned with the rest of us.



Ted's professional contributions were widely recognized among his colleagues, clients, and peers, winning awards from the American Planning Association (APA). He established the Sacramento Valley APA Young Planners Group (YPG), which received national recognition and became a model for YPG groups across the country. Ted served on the California Chapter APA Board of Directors from 2009 to 2013 and was elected to the California Planning Foundation Board of Directors in 2014, where he served as Vice President.



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