Staff Report

Agenda Item: **GENERAL PLAN UPDATE** - Progress update on the Town of Clarkdale General Plan.

Staff Contact: Sherry Bailey, Community Development Director

Meeting Date: February 23, 2010

Background:

The General Plan Update Committee has reviewed and approved the Introduction, Open Space, Environmental Planning, and the Cost of Development chapters. The committee will be reviewing chapters for Water Resources, Land Use, Growth Areas and Economic Development in the next two months. That will leave Circulation and Transportation, which will be reviewed in conjunction with the Planning Assistance for Rural Areas (PARA) study Steve Burroughs is managing, Housing and Community Design which will be handled by the Planning Commission in the focus group format along with the Sustainability Chapters to be completed in the next few months.

The Planning Commission and the Update Committee have met once to review the work that has been completed and will be meeting again in March. Both organizations agreed to group similar topics into a joint meeting so at least three more meetings are anticipated. Staff will then finish the layout so that the Planning Commission can start having their Public Hearings, make their changes and send the completed document onto council. The process in on track for late fall public hearings by council, approval and then adding it to the election calendar.

Recommendation:
This item is informational only, and requires no formal action from the council. Staff would appreciate direction from the council on what refinements they would like to see to the process.