public investments will be pursued.

- 3. In order to follow these principles, State officials and agencies, in cooperation with the private sector and other levels of government, shall carry out their programs in accordance with policies set forth below:
 - A. Policies to enhance the viability of existing communities and urban areas:
 - A(1) Promote future physical growth and economic development in existing communities and local government's planned growth areas.
 - A(2) Direct location and retention of State and other governmental facilities in existing communities, particularly in older urban centers.
 - A(3) Promote recreational, cultural, and public services and facilities so as to support existing population centers.
 - A(4) Encourage the maintenance and improvement of the structures and infrastructure in existing urban areas.
 - A(5) Give priority to the provision of transportation services supporting existing population centers and within existing transportation service areas.
 - A(6) Encourage appropriate development around existing or approved rail transit stations and mass transit services.
 - A(7) Encourage the protection, restoration, and re-use of significant historic or architectural structures.
 - A(8) Enhance the availability of housing through new construction and through rehabilitation of existing buildings.
 - A(9) Encourage housing, industrial and business financing in support of existing population centers.
 - A(10) Within existing communities encourage development of suitable vacant