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For the 91st Arizona Town Hall on Land Use, Dr. Nelson will present new research indicating the magnitude of future development facing the state over the next generation, the reasons, and important policy implications. The research for the Town Hall will be based on the analytic models he developed for and presented to such organizations as Prudential Real Estate, Credit Suisse - First Boston, numerous real estate investment trusts, business magazines, and federal and state agencies.