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Peri-urbanization, a global phenomenon driven by rapid urban growth, weak governance, and unaffordable housing, creates transitional hotspots of land transformation. A resilient framework must balance urban growth, rural livelihoods, ecosystems, and equity. This requires moving beyond static zoning toward adaptive, polycentric governance. Key elements include participatory land rights mapping, flexible tools for peri-urban agriculture, cross-sectoral coordination, and recognizing informal actors as legitimate stakeholders. The framework should capture dynamic transformations and complex actor interactions.

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