

# VISION Consistency Tool for Local Comprehensive Plans

Note: The tool shown here is for illustrative purposes. To fill out the tool, visit [www.psrc.org/our-work/plan-review](http://www.psrc.org/our-work/plan-review).

This tool is intended to help cities and counties integrate VISION 2050 into their local comprehensive plans. VISION 2050's multicounty planning policies serve as the adopted regional guidelines and principles required in state law to guide both regional and local planning. The tool also identifies transportation planning requirements of the Growth Management Act (GMA). The tool may be used at various times in the local planning process:

**Plan Update Scoping:** Use checklist items as guidance for scoping the extent of plan element updates. New or expanded issue areas in VISION 2050 are identified to support this process.

**Draft Plan Review:** Submit draft plans to PSRC prior to Planning Commission and Council review. Completing and submitting this tool and providing early drafts to PSRC help identify potential consistency issues early in the process.

**Certification Review:** Along with the adopted plan, the tool will assist in PSRC's review of the plan. Demonstrating inclusion of the necessary information in the checklist helps facilitate certification. *Note: The PSRC Executive Board is the final decision-making body for plan certification.*

**Regional Collaboration:** The tool provides cities and counties an opportunity to highlight innovative policies and programs. This supports sharing of best practices across the region and benefits jurisdictions as they apply for planning grants and awards.

Updates made in September 2022 integrate the GMA requirements of HB 1220 and countywide housing needs into PSRC's plan review process, including housing for all income levels and addressing racially disparate impacts.

## Resources

- Regional Plans: [VISION 2050](#), [Regional Transportation Plan](#), and [Regional Economic Strategy](#)
- [VISION 2040 to VISION 2050](#) – summary of what changed in VISION 2050
- [VISION 2050 Policy Matrix](#) – a comparison of multicounty planning policies and actions from VISION 2040 to VISION 2050
- [Plan Review webpage](#) – access more information about the review and certification process and find [PSRC guidance](#) and other resources by policy area. See previous [certification reports](#) for areas for future work.



## Discussion Questions | Innovation, Engagement, and Racial Equity

Questions provide an opportunity to highlight the most noteworthy aspects of the plan and the planning process. Responses help tell PSRC boards how the plan is working to implement VISION 2050 and how the plan meets certification requirements.

- What aspects of the updated plan would you like to highlight? What was especially innovative, challenging, or noteworthy?
- What innovative public engagement strategies were used in the update process? Did you use strategies to reach communities that have not typically been engaged in planning? How were other agencies and governments, such as tribes, ports, and special purpose districts, engaged through this process? (MPP-RC-1, DP-8)
- Racial equity and access to opportunity have been elevated as critical regional issues in VISION 2050. How has your community addressed racial equity in the comprehensive plan update? Do you have lessons learned from your experience about how to advance racial equity? (MPP-RC-3)

## Checklist at a Glance

Support regional collaboration	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Include a statement that highlights the role of regional collaboration in the plan, policies, VISION 2050, and planning. <b>Indicates new or expanded emphasis in VISION 2050</b>	
▢ Coordinate with other jurisdictions, agencies, tribes, ports, military installations, special purpose districts, and adjacent regions (RCW 36.70A.070(6)(a)(v), MPP-RC-1, RC-4-5)	Indicate where to find the best or most complete example. It is not necessary to list all relevant policies.
▢ Prioritize services and access to opportunity for people of color, people with low incomes, and hispanic people to ensure they can attain the resources and opportunities to improve quality of life and address past inequities (MPP-RC-2) <b>Provides relevant VISION 2050 policies or actions</b>	

## Regional Collaboration

The plan supports **collaboration for a healthy environment, thriving communities, and opportunities for all**, including coordination with other jurisdictions and agencies, tribes, ports, military installations, and adjacent regions.

Policies and programs should:

Support regional collaboration	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Include a statement about how the plan relates to countywide planning policies, VISION 2050, and planning requirements of the Growth Management Act</li> </ul>	Yes, Cites vision 2040 (page 5-8 Goals and Policies) be updated to the 2050 vision.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Coordinate with other jurisdictions, agencies, tribes, ports, military installations, special purpose districts, and adjacent regions (RCW 36.70A.070(6)(a)(v), MPP-RC-1, RC-4-5)</li> </ul>	Yes, mentions coordinating with state and neighboring jurisdictions (page 8) but does not detail coordinating with local Tribes. Policies: Policy EQ-3.9, Policy EQ-6.4, Policy CS-1.6, Policy CF-1.3 Policy CF-2.4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Prioritize services and access to opportunity for people of color, people with low incomes, and historically underserved communities to ensure all people can attain the resources and opportunities to improve quality of life and address past inequities (MPP-RC-2)</li> </ul>	Missing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Address land use, transportation, and housing opportunities and challenges related to military installations, when applicable (MPP-RC-6)</li> </ul>	N/A (no military installations within city limits or adjacent to Lake Forest Park)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Prioritize investments in centers, including regional centers, countywide centers, high-capacity transit areas with a station area plan, and other local centers (MPP-RC-8-9)</li> </ul>	Policy LU-7.4, Policy EQ-1.2, Goal ED-3, Policy ED-3.7, Policy ED-5.2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Explore funding sources, changes to regulatory, pricing, taxing, and expenditure practices, and other fiscal tools to meet infrastructure and other needs (MPP-RC-10-11, RC-Action-7, RC-Action-9)</li> </ul>	Table 11.14, Table 11.16, Table 11.18, Table 11.20, Table 11.24, Table 11.27., Table 11.35, sources for



	City capital improvements 2015-2020 (pages 163-177).
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Additional comments on Regional Collaboration or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Regional Growth Strategy

The plan **focuses growth in designated centers and near transit stations** to create healthy, equitable, vibrant communities well-served by infrastructure and services. The plan **supports rural and resource lands** as vital parts of the region that retain important cultural, economic, environmental, and rural lifestyle opportunities over the long term.

The plan should:

Implement the Regional Growth Strategy	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Incorporate housing and employment targets (MPP-RGS-1-2)	Table 11.1 (Page 103) Table 11.2 (Page 118) Table 11.7 (Page 136) Table 11.8 (Page 122) Table 11.17 (Page 138) Table 11.20 (Page 141) Table 11.22 (Page 143) Goal H-1, Policy H-3.5, Policy ED-1.4,
✓ Use land use assumptions substantially consistent with countywide growth targets (RCW 36.70A.070, WAC 365-196-430, VISION 2050 Regional Growth Strategy)	Policy H-1.2 (page 42), Policy H-3.9 (page 44), Table 11.2 (Page 118), Land Use Element (99-107)



✓ Demonstrate sufficient zoned development capacity to accommodate targets (RCW 36.70A.115)	Land capacity (103-104) Figure 11.2 (103), Figure 11.3 (107),
✓ Use consistent land use assumptions throughout plan (RCW 36.70A.070, WAC 365-196-430) <sup>1</sup>	Compliant, LU chapter

Note: see [Growth Target Guidance](#) for additional information.

## Population, Employment, and Housing Growth

*(add information from local plan and insert/delete rows as needed, based on regional centers or county regional geographies)*

	Adopted Growth Target*	Land Use Assumptions for Travel Demand Modeling (numbers/notes, as applicable)	Zoned Development Capacity (can be greater than target)	Page Reference
<b>County or citywide**</b>				
Employment	1,948 (2035), or 244 jobs	Growth follows prior development patterns, with employment typ. along SR 522	285 jobs	page 103 & page 118
Housing	5,743 (2035), or 551 units	Growth follows prior development patterns, with multifamily occurring along/near SR 522 and SFR occurring in existing single family neighborhoods.	631 units	page 103 & page 118

\*Include targets as applicable. Some counties adopt only housing and employment targets, and not population targets. If more explanation would be helpful, provide additional information about land use assumptions for modeling in space provided below.

\*\*Counties: Attach additional tables or add rows to address multiple regional geographies.

Policies and programs should:

Maintain a stable urban growth area with densities and capacity that support the Regional Growth Strategy	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Encourage infill development and increased density in locations consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy (MPP-RGS-6)	Policy LU-4.3 (page 25), Policy H-1.5 (page 42), Policy H-2.1 (page 42)

<sup>1</sup> The Transportation Element must be based on the land use assumptions in the Comprehensive Plan - A problem sometimes encountered in the certification of transportation-related provisions in local comprehensive plans is the use of different planning assumptions in the transportation element from the land use element. Comprehensive plans are to be internally consistent, which means that the same land use assumptions must be used for planning for housing, transportation, and other provisions in the plan.



✗ Avoid increasing development capacity inconsistent with the Regional Growth Strategy in regional geographies not served by high-capacity transit (MPP-RGS-12)	Policy H-1.4 (page 42)
✗ <b>Metropolitan Cities:</b> Provide additional housing capacity in response to rapid employment growth, particularly through increased zoning for middle density housing (MPP-RGS-7)	N/A LFP is not a Metropolitan City per Vision 2050.
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Accommodate the region's growth first and foremost in the urban growth area (MPP-RGS-4)	N/A
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Ensure long-term stability and sustainability of the urban growth area (MPP-RGS-5)	N/A
<b>Support growth in designated centers and near high-capacity transit</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
✗ Where applicable, focus a significant share of growth in designated regional growth centers, high-capacity transit station areas, manufacturing/industrial centers, and countywide centers (MPP-RGS-8-11) <sup>2</sup>	Town Center subarea plan
✓ Include growth targets for designated regional growth centers and manufacturing/industrial centers (MPP-RGS-2)	N/A LFP is not an RGC or MIC.
<b>Manage and reduce rural growth and protect resource lands</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Identify steps to reduce rural growth over time to maintain rural landscapes and lifestyles and protect resource lands and the environment (MPP-DP-40-43)	N/A
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Include a full range of strategies, including zoning and development standards, incentives, infrastructure investments, funding for conservation easements, housing tools, and economic development to reduce rural growth rates and protect natural resource lands over time (MPP-RGS-14-15, RGS-4, RGS-Action-7)	N/A
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Locate commercial, retail, and community services that serve rural residents in neighboring cities and existing activity areas (MPP-RGS-13, DP-37)	N/A
✗ <b>Counties:</b> Avoid growth that cannot be sufficiently served by roads, utilities, and services at rural levels of service (MPP-DP-45)	N/A
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Address vested development that conflicts with regional and local growth management objectives (MPP-DP-36)	N/A

<sup>2</sup> The region has a goal to attract 65% of new residential growth and 75% of employment growth to regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas.



Additional comments on the Regional Growth Strategy or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Environment

Local plans support the natural environment through policies on **protecting and restoring natural systems, conserving habitat, improving water quality, and reducing air pollutants**. The health of all residents and the economy is connected to the health of the environment. Planning at all levels should consider the impacts of land use, development, and transportation on the ecosystem and use the best environmental information available.

Policies and programs should:

Protect and restore the environment	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Protect critical areas, habitat, and water quality and coordinate planning with adjacent jurisdictions, tribes, countywide planning groups, and watershed groups (MPP-En-1, En-6, En-11-12, En-14, En-16, En-Action-3)	Policy EQ-1.1 (page 31), Policy EQ-1.3 (page 32), Policy EQ-3.2 (page 33), Policy EQ-3.3 (page 33), Policy EQ-3.9 (page 34)
✓ Advance integrated and interdisciplinary approaches for environmental planning and assessments (MPP-En-2)	Policy EQ-1.4 (page 32), Policy EQ-5.3 (page 35), Policy EQ-9.5 (page 37),  Further consideration should be given to adopting new goals/policies about using advanced integrated and interdisciplinary approaches for environmental planning.



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Promote innovative and environmentally sensitive development practices in siting, design, materials selection, construction, and maintenance (MPP-En-5)</li> </ul>	Policy EQ-1.6 (page 32), Policy EQ-3.7 (page 33), Policy EQ-9.6 (page 37)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▢ Support programs to ensure that all residents, regardless of race, social, or economic status, have clean air, clean water, and other elements of a healthy environment and prioritize the reduction of impacts to vulnerable populations that have been disproportionately affected (MPP-En-3-4, En-7-8, En-21)</li> </ul>	Additional work needed to identify and reduce disparate impacts.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▢ Support and incentivize environmental stewardship on private and public lands (MPP-En-10)</li> </ul>	Environmental sustainability is clearly a priority and foundational value in LFP. Additional work may be needed to explicitly explain LFP's commitment to environmental stewardship.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▢ Identify open space, trail, and park resources and needs, and develop programs for protecting and enhancing these areas (MPP-En-11-12, En-15, En-Action-4)</li> </ul>	Missing. Policy EQ-1.4 supports the requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Protect and restore native vegetation and tree canopy (MPP-En-9, En-13)</li> </ul>	Policy EQ-1.3 (page 32)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▢ Protect and restore hydrological functions and water quality, including restoring shorelines and estuaries, removing fish-blocking culverts, reducing use of toxic products, and retrofitting basins to manage stormwater (MPP-En-16-20)</li> </ul>	Missing. Policy EQ-1.5 (page 32), Goal EQ-3 (page 32, Policy EQ-3.6 (page 33) supports the requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Ensure all federal and state air quality standards are met and reduce emissions of air toxics and greenhouse gases (WAC 173-420-080, MPP-En-22)</li> </ul>	Goal EQ-6 (page 35), Policy EQ-5.4 (page 35), Policy EQ-6.1 (page 35), Policy EQ-6.5 (page 35), Policy CF-4.3 (page 64), Policy T-3.5 (page 91)

Additional comments on Environment or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_



## Climate Change

The plan supports substantially **reducing emissions of greenhouse gases** that contribute to climate change in accordance with the goals of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency and **preparing for climate change impacts**.

Policies and programs should:

Reduce greenhouse gas emissions in support of state, regional, and local reduction goals	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Support achieving regional greenhouse gas emission reduction goals by:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Electrifying the transportation system,<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reducing vehicle miles traveled through increasing alternatives to driving alone and using land use strategies that reduce trips and trip length, and</li><li>• Expanding the use of conservation, alternative energy sources, and energy management technology (MPP-CC-1, CC-3, CC-5, CC-11-12, CC-Action-3)</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>	Missing electrification of the transportation system. Goal EQ-5 (page 35), Policy EQ-5.1 (page 35), Policy CF-4.3 (page 64), Policy T-3.5 (page 91). Additional work will be performed during climate element update when grant funding is available.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Reduce building energy use through green building and retrofit of existing buildings (MPP-CC-2, CC-Action-3, DP-46)</li></ul>	Policy EQ-5.2 (page 35), Policy EQ-5.5 (page 35), Policy CF-4.5 (page 64), Policy CF-4.12 (page 65)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Protect and restore natural resources that sequester and store carbon (MPP-CC-4)</li></ul>	LFP is committed to protecting and increasing tree canopy coverage, but more specific policy guidance related to carbon sequestration should be added.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Address impacts to vulnerable populations and areas that have been or will be disproportionately affected by climate change (MPP-CC-6, CC-8, CC-Action-3, CC-Action-4)</li></ul>	Missing.



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify and address the impacts of climate change and natural hazards on the region to increase resilience (MPP-CC-7-10, CC-Action-4)</li> </ul>	Missing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Address rising sea water by siting and planning for relocation of hazardous industries and essential public services away from the 500-year floodplain (MPP-CC-10)</li> </ul>	Missing.

Additional comments on Climate Change or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Land Use/Development Patterns

The plan supports the further development of **healthy, walkable, compact, and equitable transit-oriented communities** that maintain unique character and local culture. The plan supports **conserving rural areas and creating and preserving open space and natural areas**.

Policies and programs should:

Build thriving urban communities	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support inclusive community planning (MPP-DP-2, MPP-DP-8)</li> </ul>	LFP is committed to inclusive and transparent planning processes. Inclusivity in the process and the plan content will be clearly documented.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support the development of compact urban communities and central places with densities that support the Regional Growth Strategy, transit, and walking (MPP-RGS-6, DP-1, DP-3)</li> </ul>	Policy LU-1.2 (page 20), Table I.2 (page 20), Policy LU-4.1(page 25), Policy LU-4.5 (page 25), Policy H-1.3 (page 42)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce disparities in access to opportunity and expand employment opportunities to improve the region's shared economic future (MPP-DP-2, Ec-8, Ec-13)</li> </ul>	Missing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate with local, state, and federal agencies to identify underused lands such as surplus public lands or environmentally contaminated lands and:</li> </ul>	Policy LU-4.3 (page 25), Policy LU-5.5 (page 26),



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Promote infill or redevelopment in growth centers and existing neighborhoods in a manner that supports the Regional Growth Strategy (MPP-DP-4)</li> <li>✓ Develop strategies for cleaning up brownfield and contaminated sites (DP-Action-7)</li> </ul>	Policy EQ-1.2 (page 32) Policy H-1.5 (page 42), Policy H-2.1 (page 42)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Preserve historic, visual, and cultural resources and consider potential impacts to culturally significant sites and tribal treaty fishing, hunting, and gathering grounds (MPP-DP-5-7)</li> </ul>	Missing. Goal LU-8 (page 27), and Policy LU-8.2 (page 27) support the requirement however further goals/policies are needed to meet this requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Support inclusive engagement to ensure land use decisions do not negatively impact historically marginalized communities (MPP-DP-8)</li> </ul>	Policy CS-1.5 supports the requirement but does not meet the standard. Inclusivity in engagement is a priority for the 2024 update.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Support the design of transportation and infrastructure projects that achieve community development objectives and improve communities (MPP-DP-12-15, DP-17)</li> </ul>	Goal T-1 and related policies, Goal T-2 and related policies, Goal T-3 and related policies, Goal T-4 and related policies
<b>Promote healthy communities</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Reduce health disparities and improve health outcomes (MPP-RC-3, DP-18)</li> </ul>	Missing.
<b>Support centers as connections to opportunity</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Identify one or more central places as locations for more compact, mixed-use development (MPP-DP-22, DP-25)</li> </ul>	Table I.2 (pages 20 and 21), Policy H-1.6 (page 42)

<p>❖ <b>Jurisdictions with or planning for high-capacity transit stations:</b> Identify high-capacity station areas and plan for densities<sup>3</sup> that maximize benefits of transit investments (MPP-DP-22, DP-Action-8)</p>	Town Center Subarea Plan
<p>❖ <b>Jurisdictions with or planning for light rail stations:</b> Support the adoption of subarea plans for light rail station areas (DP-Action-8)</p>	N/A
<p>✓ <b>Jurisdictions with regional centers:</b> Support the update of regional center subarea plans to be consistent with the revised Center Plan Tools (DP-Action-8)</p>	N/A
<p>❖ Evaluate planning in areas for potential residential and commercial displacement and use a range of strategies to mitigate displacement impacts (MPP-DP-23, Ec-12)</p>	Missing.
<b>Support annexation and incorporation</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
<p>✓ Work towards annexation and the orderly transition of unincorporated urban areas by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joint planning and urban development standards for urban unincorporated areas</li> <li>Affiliating all unincorporated urban growth areas with adjacent cities</li> <li>❖ Planning for phased growth of communities to be economically viable, supported by planned urban infrastructure, and served by public transit (MPP-RGS-16, DP-27-30)</li> </ul>	Missing. Coordination with King County is needed.
<b>Preserve rural areas and natural resource lands</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
<p>✓ <b>Counties:</b> Work to ensure that development in rural areas is rural in character (MPP-DP-32-35, DP-37-38)</p>	N/A
<p>✓ <b>Counties:</b> Work to ensure the sustainability of designated resource lands through programs that support economic vitality, encourage conservation, and avoid incompatible adjacent land uses (MPP-DP-39, DP-41-43)</p>	N/A
<b>Conserve and enhance important uses</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
<p>✓ <b>As applicable</b>, limit incompatible uses adjacent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Military lands (MPP-DP-49)</li> <li>Manufacturing/industrial centers (MICs) and industrial zoning (MPP-DP-50)</li> <li>❖ Tribal reservation lands (MPP-DP-51)</li> </ul>	N/A

<sup>3</sup> VISION 2050 calls for transit-oriented development near stations located in or near manufacturing/industrial centers to function differently with different uses than other centers to maintain a focus on protecting industrial zoning, jobs, and the region's overall economic vitality.

Additional comments on Land Use/Development Patterns or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Housing

The plan guides the **preservation, improvement, and expansion of the housing stock** to provide a range of **affordable, accessible, healthy, and safe housing choices** to every resident. It continues to **promote fair and equal access to housing for all people**.

Policies and programs should:

Assess housing needs	Page/Policy Reference
 Address affordable housing needs by developing a housing needs assessment and evaluating the effectiveness of existing housing policies, and documenting strategies to achieve housing targets and affordability goals. This includes documenting programs and actions needed to achieve housing availability including gaps in local funding, barriers such as development regulations, and other limitations (H-Action-4)	Missing.
Increase housing supply and choices	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Increase housing supply and densities to meet the region's current and projected needs at all income levels consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy (MPP-H-1)	Policy H-1.2 (page 42), Policy H-1.3 (page 42)
✓ Expand the diversity of housing types for all income levels and demographic groups, including low, very low, extremely low, and moderate-income households (MPP-H-2-6, H-9)	Goal H-1 (page 42), Policy H-1.3 (page 42), Policy H-1.8 (page 42), Policy H-3.5 (page 43)
 Expand housing capacity for moderate density housing, i.e., "missing middle" (MPP-H-9)	Missing.
 Promote jobs-housing balance by providing housing choices that are accessible and attainable to workers. Include jobs-housing balance in housing needs assessments to better support job centers with the needed housing supply (MPP-H-1, H-6, H-Action-4)	Additional policy work needed.
✓ Expand housing choices in centers and near transit (MPP-H-7-8)	Policy H-1.6 (page 42), Policy H-3.4 (page 43)

✓ Promote flexible standards and innovative techniques to encourage housing productions that keeps pace with growth and need (MPP-H-10)	Policy H-1.8 (page 42)
<b>Support the development and preservation of affordable housing</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
❖ Use inclusionary and incentive zoning to provide more affordable housing when creating additional housing capacity (H-Action-5)	Missing.
❖ <b>Jurisdictions planning for high-capacity transit stations:</b> Create and preserve affordable housing near high-capacity transit <sup>4</sup> (MPP-H-8, H-Action-1)	LFPMC authorizes/requires affordable housing near high-capacity transit. Policy language should be added to the Comp Plan.
<b>Address inequities in access to housing</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
❖ Identify potential physical, economic, and cultural displacement of low-income households and marginalized populations and work with communities to develop anti-displacement strategies in when planning for growth (MPP-H-12, H-Action-6)	Missing.
❖ Promote homeownership opportunities while recognizing historic inequities in access to homeownership opportunities for communities of color (MPP-H-5)	Missing.
❖ Identify and begin to undo local policies and regulations that result in racially disparate impacts, displacement, and exclusion in housing, including zoning that may have a discriminatory effect and areas of disinvestment and infrastructure availability	Missing.

Additional comments on Housing or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Economy

The plan includes an **economic development element (Ec-Action-5)** that promotes a **prospering and sustainable economy** by supporting **businesses and job creation and investing in all people**.

<sup>4</sup> Transit-oriented development near stations located in or near manufacturing/industrial centers need to function differently with different uses than other centers to maintain a focus on protecting industrial zoning, jobs, and the region's overall economic vitality.

Policies and programs should:

Promote a prosperous and sustainable economy for all people	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Identify and enhance industry clusters, including those recognized in the Regional Economic Strategy that provide goods and services for export (MPP-Ec-3, Ec-4)	Missing.
✓ Focus retention and recruitment efforts and activities to foster a positive business climate and diversify employment opportunities by specifically targeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Businesses that provide living wage jobs</li> <li>• Locally, women-, and minority-owned small businesses and start-up companies</li> <li>• Established and emerging industries, technologies, and services that promote environmental sustainability, especially those addressing climate change and resilience (MPP-Ec-1, Ec-3, Ec-4, Ec-7, Ec-9, Ec-16)</li> </ul>	Missing.
• Promote strategies and policies that expand access to opportunity and remove barriers for economically disconnected communities (MPP-Ec-13-14)	Missing.
• Address and prevent potential physical, economic, and cultural displacement of existing businesses that may result from redevelopment and market pressure (MPP-Ec-12)	Missing.
✓ Develop a range of employment opportunities to create a closer balance between jobs and housing (MPP-Ec-18)	Policy ED-1.4 (page 48).
• Promote environmental and socially responsible business practices, especially those addressing climate change, resilience, and improved health outcomes (MPP-Ec-8, Ec-16)	Missing.
• Support, recognize, and empower the contributions of the region's culturally and ethnically diverse communities, institutions, and Native Tribes (MPP-Ec-15, Ec-17, Ec-20)	Missing.

Additional comments on Economic Development or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Transportation

The plan promotes a **sustainable, equitable, affordable, safe, and efficient multimodal transportation system**, with specific emphasis on an **integrated regional transit network** that supports the **Regional Growth Strategy** and promotes vitality of the economy, environment, and health.

Policies and programs should:

Implement the Regional Transportation Plan	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Promote the development of an efficient, multimodal transportation system that supports the Regional Growth Strategy in collaboration with other jurisdictions and agencies (MPP-T-7)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.5 (page 87), Policy T-1.7 (page 87), Policy T-1.8 (page 87), Policy T-1.16 (page 88), Policy T-4.7 (page 92)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Work to develop and operate a safe and convenient system for all users and the movement of freight and goods (MPP-T-11)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.5 (page 87), Policy T-1.6 (page 87), Goal T-2 (page 89), Policy T-2.2 (page 89), Policy T-2.5 (page 89), Policy T-2.7 (page 89), Policy T-2.9 (page 90), Policy T-2.15 (page 91), Policy T-4.2 (page 91) No mention of freight, policies regarding freight should be considered.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Reduce the need for new capital improvements through investments in operations, pricing programs, demand management strategies, and system management activities that improve the efficiency of the current system (RCW 36.70A.070(6)(a)(vi), MPP-T-3)</li> </ul>	Reconsideration needed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Emphasize transportation investments that provide alternatives to single occupancy vehicle travel, increase travel options, especially to and within centers, and support compact, pedestrian- and transit-oriented densities and development (MPP-T-12-13, T-15)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.4 (page 87), Policy T-1.12 (page 88),
<span style="color: #ff9900;">💡</span> Increase the resilience of the transportation system and support security and emergency management (MPP-T-31)	Missing. Anticipated for discussion with climate resilience sub-element.
<span style="color: #ff9900;">💡</span> Prepare for changes in transportation technologies and mobility patterns (MPP-T-33-34)	Missing.
Support the Regional Growth Strategy	Page/Policy Reference



✓ Focus system improvements to connect centers and support existing and planned development as allocated by the Regional Growth Strategy (MPP-RC-7-9, T-7-8, T-15)	Goal T-2 (page 89), Policy T-6.7 (page 94)
❖ Prioritize multimodal investments in centers and high-capacity station areas (MPP-RC-7-10, T-12-13, T-19)	Missing. Goal T-4 (page 91) supports this requirement.
✓ Promote the design of transportation facilities that support local and regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas and fit the community in which they are located (MPP-T-19-21)	Missing. Goal T-2 (page 89) supports this requirement but needs further details to meet this requirement.
✓ Support a safe and welcoming environment for walking and bicycling (MPP-DP-15): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include a pedestrian and bicycle component and collaborative efforts to identify planned improvements for pedestrian and bicycle facilities and corridors (RCW 36.70A.070(6)(a)(vii))</li> <li>Improve local street patterns and design to promote walking and biking (MPP-T-16-17)</li> </ul>	Goal T-1 (page 87), Policy T-1.11 (page 87), Goal T-2 (page 89), Policy T-2.1 (page 89), Policy T-2.5 (page 89), Policy T-2.7 (page 89), Policy T-2.11 (90), Policy T-4.5 (page 91), Policy T-6.3 (page 93),
✓ Support alternatives to driving alone, including walking, biking, and transit use, through design of local streets, land use development tools, and other practices (MPP-T-16-18)	Policy T-2.4 (page 89), Policy T-2.5 (page 89), Policy T-2.7 (page 89), Policy T-2.12 (page 90), Policy T-3.4 (page 91), Policy T-6.4 (page 94), Policy T-6.6 (page 94)
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Avoid construction of major roads or capacity expansion on existing facilities in rural and resource areas (MPP-T-22, DP-38)	N/A
<b>Support people</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
❖ Identify racial and social equity as a core objective when planning and implementing transportation improvements, programs, and services (MPP-T-9)	Missing.
✓ Ensure mobility choices for people with special needs (MPP-T-10)	Policy T-1.15 (page 88)

Support the economy	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Recognize the critical role of safe, reliable, and efficient movement of people and goods (MPP-Ec-6, T-1, T-23)</li> </ul>	Creating a new policy or Goal could better outline the requirements listed. Policy T-1.5 (page 87) is the closest to aligning with this requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Identify and support key facilities and improvements that connect the region to major transportation hubs such as ports, airports, and designated freight routes (MPP-T-24-25)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.1 (page 87), Policy T-1.2 (page 87), Policy T-1.3 (page 87), Policy T-1.4 (page 87), Policy T-1.8 (page 87)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Promote coordination with providers of major regional infrastructure, such as freight rail and commercial aviation (MPP-Ec-4-5, T-27-28)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.4 (page 87), Policy T-1.7 (page 87), Policy T-1.8 (page 87), Policy T-2.2 (page 89), Policy T-4.6 (page 92), Policy T-4.7 (page 92), Policy T-5.3 (page 93) Policy T-6.1 (page 93), Policy T-6.2 (page 93), Policy T-6.3 (page 93)
Protect the environment	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><span data-bbox="192 1106 234 1139">NEW</span> Promote clean transportation programs and facilities, including actions to reduce air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from transportation (MPP-CC-3, CC-12, T-29-30)</li> </ul>	Missing. Anticipated for discussion with GHG emissions reduction climate sub-element.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><span data-bbox="192 1264 234 1297">NEW</span> Reduce stormwater pollution from transportation facilities and improve fish passage (MPP-T-32)</li> </ul>	Missing. There are a couple of related policies. Policy LU-3.5 (page 25), Policy U-4.9 (page 82),

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Incorporate environmental factors into transportation decision-making, including attention to human health and safety (MPP-DP-44, T-4-5, T-29-32)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.3 (page 87), Policy T-2.4 (page 89), Policy T-4.8 (page 92)
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The plan should:

Provide facilities inventories and identify service needs	Page/Policy Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Include mapped inventories for each element of the transportation system, including roadways, transit, cycling, walking, freight, airports, and ferries (RCW 36.70A.070, RCW 36.70A.108, MPP-T-7, T-15-17)</li> </ul>	Figure II.33 (page 199), Figure II.35 (page 202), Figure II.36 (page 204)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Include state facilities and reflect related (regional/state) level-of-service standards (RCW 36.70A.070, RCW 36.70A.108)</li> </ul>	Table II.37 (page 197), Table II.38 (page 197), Table II.39 (page 199), Figure II.33 (page 199), Table II.40 (page 200), Figure II.34 (page 201), Table II.43 (page 206) Further considerations and content should be provided for forecasting LOS.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Develop a comprehensive concurrency program that addresses level-of-service standards for multimodal types of transportation and include implementation strategies (RCW 36.70A.070, RCW 36.70A.108, MPP-DP-52-54)</li> </ul>	Policy T-1.7 (page 87), Policy T-1.10 (page 87), Level of service (page 88), Table II.43 (page 206). Further forecasting and analysis are needed to meet this plan's requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Provide travel demand forecasts and identify state and local system projects, programs, and management necessary to meet current and future demands and to improve safety and human health (RCW 36.70A.070, MPP-T-4-5)</li> </ul>	Missing. This will need to be provided in the new update.

✓ Identify maintenance and system preservation projects and programs necessary to maintain the ability of the transportation system to provide safe, efficient, and reliable movement of people, goods, and services (RCW 36.70A.070, MPP-T-1-2, T-4)	Policy CF-5.3 (page 65) Limited policy on identifying maintenance and system preservation projects and programs. Further policy should be considered to address this item.
<b>Finance transportation investments</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
✓ Identify stable and predictable funding sources for maintaining and preserving existing transportation facilities and services (MPP-RC-11-12, T-6)	Policy T-2.8 (page 89), Policy T-4.1 (page 91),
✓ Pursue alternative transportation financing methods, such as user fees, tolls, and other pricing mechanisms (MPP-T-6)	Missing. Policies regarding tolls, user fees, and other pricing methods should be considered.
✓ Include a 20-year financing plan, as well as an analysis of funding capability for all transportation modes (RCW 36.70A.070(3), RCW 36.70A.070(6)(a)(iv), WAC 365-196-415, WAC 365-196-430, MPP-RC-11-12, T-6, T-15)	Missing. Table II.41 (page 203) summarizes the planned capital projects for the next six years but does not show a 20-year outlook.
✓ Include a reassessment strategy to address the event of a funding shortfall (RCW 36.70A.070(3), RCW 36.70A.070(6)(a)(iv), WAC 365-196-415, WAC 365-196-430, MPP-RC-11-12, T-6)	Policy CF-3.6 (page 63), Policy CF-3.8 (page 63) The policy could be broadened to include other projects instead of focusing on the capital facilities.
<b>Address land uses adjacent to airports</b>	<b>Page/Policy Reference</b>
✓ <b>Airport-adjacent communities:</b> Identify and address any airports within or adjacent to the jurisdiction (RCW 36.70.547, 36.70A.070(6)(a)(iii)(A), MPP-DP-48)	N/A
✓ <b>Airport-adjacent communities:</b> Describe existing and planned uses near the airport, as well as policies and regulations that discourage incompatible uses (RCW 36.70.547, 36.70A.070(6)(a)(iii)(A), MPP-DP-48)	N/A

 <b>Airport-adjacent communities:</b> Promote coordinated planning and effective management to optimize the region's aviation system in a manner that minimizes health, air quality, and noise impacts to communities, including historically marginalized communities (MPP-T-28)	N/A
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Additional comments on Transportation or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_

## Public Services

The plan supports development with adequate **public facilities and services in a timely, coordinated, efficient, and cost-effective manner** that **supports local and regional growth planning objectives**.

Policies and programs should:

Provide adequate public facilities and services to support growth	Page/Policy Reference
✓ Protect and enhance the environment and public health and safety when providing services and facilities (MPP-PS-1)	Policy CS-1.3 (page 53), Policy CS-1.4 (page 54), Policy CS-1.7 (page 54), Goal CS-2 (page 54), Policy CS-2.1 (page 54), Policy CS-2.2 (page 54), Goal CS-4 (page 55), Policy CS-4.1 (page 55), Goal CS-5 (page 56)
✓ Promote coordinated planning for services and facilities with counties, cities, tribes, and special purpose districts in a manner that supports the Regional Growth Strategy, including addressing long-term needs, supply, and the use of conservation and demand management (MPP-PS-3-4, PS-8-9, PS-13-14, PS-23-25)	Policy EQ-3.9 (page 34), Policy EQ-6.4 (page 35), Policy CS-1.6 (page 54), Policy CS-1.6 (page 55), Policy CF-1.3 (page 60), Table I.4 (page 62), Policy CF-2.4 (page 62),

	Policy U-4.2 (page 82), Policy U-4.8 (page 82), Policy T-1.7 (page 82), Policy T-3.2 (page 82), Policy T-4.6 (page 92), Policy T-4.7 (page 92), Goal T-6 (page 93), Policy T-5.3 (page 93), Policy T-6.1 (page 93), Policy T-6.2 (page 93), Policy T-6.3 (page 94)
✓ Protect water quality by replacing failing septic systems and serving new urban development with sanitary sewer systems (MPP-PS-10-12)	Policy EQ-3.5 (page 35)
💡 Consider the potential impacts of climate change on public facilities and support the necessary investments to move to low-carbon energy sources (MPP-PS-13-15, PS-20-21)	Goal EQ-5 (page 35), Policy EQ-5.1 (page 35), Policy EQ-5.3 (page 35) Policy EQ-5.5 (page 35), Policy U-4.4 (page 82) The goals and policies listed could go into more detail on public facilities.
💡 Promote affordable and equitable access of public services, including drinking water and telecommunication infrastructure, to provide access to all communities, especially underserved communities (MPP-PS-2, PS-16, PS-22)	Policy H-4.2 (page 44), Policy ED-5.2 (page 50), Policy CS-1.3 (page 53), Policy CS-1.6 (page 54), Policy CS-2.5 (page 54), Policy CS-5.2 (page 56), Policy CS-6.4 (page 56), Policy CF-4.6 (page 64), Policy PT-2.2 (page 71), Policy PT-3.1 (page 72),

	Policy PT-3.3 (page 72), Policy PT-9.7 (page 75), Policy T-1.4 (page 87), Policy T-1.5 (page 87), Policy T-2.12 (page 90)
✓ Encourage planning and coordination of emergency management and public safety programs (MPP-PS-17, T-31)	Policy CS-1.6 (page 54), Goal CS-7 Public Safety Vision. (page 56), Policy CF-1.3 (page 60), Policy U-3.1 (page 81), Policy T-2.2 (page 89), Policy T-2.16 (page 91), Policy T-4.2 (page 91)
📍 Locate community facilities and services, including civic places like parks, schools, and other public spaces, in centers and near transit, with consideration for climate change, economic, social and health impacts (MPP-PS-18, PS-20, PS-29, DP-11)	Policy CF-1.1 (page 60), Goal CF-4 (page 64), Policy CF-4.11 (page 65), Policy LU-4.1 (page 25), Policy H-3.4 (page 43), Goal H-5 (page 44), Policy CS-1.8 (page 54), Policy U-4.4 (page 82)
📍 Promote working with school districts on school siting and design to support safe, walkable access, including strategies to provide adequate urban capacity for new schools and to avoid serving urban students with schools in the rural area (MPP-PS-26-28)	Goal T-2 (page 89), Policy T-2.9 (page 90), Policy LU-7.3 (page 27)
✓ <b>Counties:</b> Avoid providing urban services and regional facilities in rural areas. Facilities and utilities in rural areas should be at a size and scale appropriate for rural locations. (MPP-PS-5-7, PS-30)	N/A

Additional comments on Public Services or additional documents to share [optional]: \_\_\_\_\_