

Today's Meeting

- Familiarity with scope of work for next three years
- Provide feedback and direction to proceed on work



Overview





Regional Centers

Key part of VISION 2050 & the Regional Growth Strategy



Guide regional growth allocations



Protect rural and natural resource areas



Advance local planning



Priority areas for PSRC's federal transportation funding



Inform transit service planning

Regional Centers

30 Regional Growth Centers

10 Manufacturing / Industrial Centers



Regional Centers Profiles & Industrial Lands



Regional Growth Centers

Manufacturing & Industrial Centers

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Centers

Resources

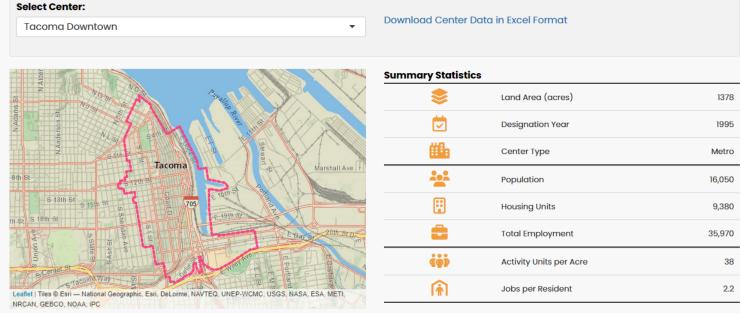
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VISION 2050

Planning Resources



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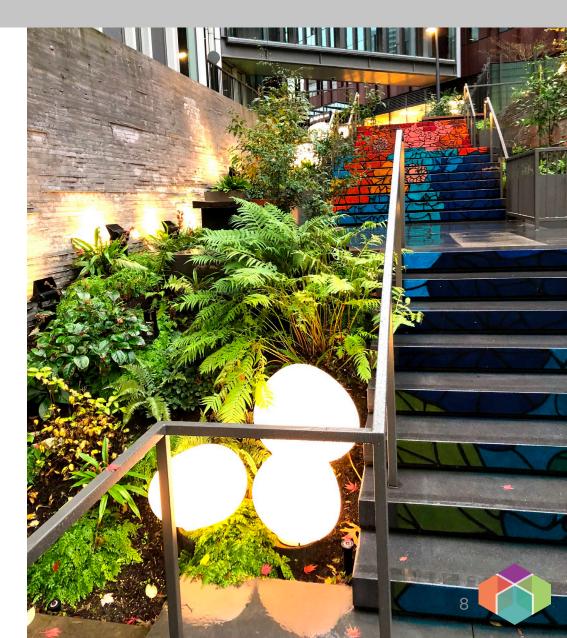
The Downtown Tacoma regional growth center includes a wide variety of commercial, industrial, residential, institutional and civic uses. Downtown Tacoma includes several city, county, and state government offices, as well as hospitals, schools, retail, restaurants, and cultural opportunities.

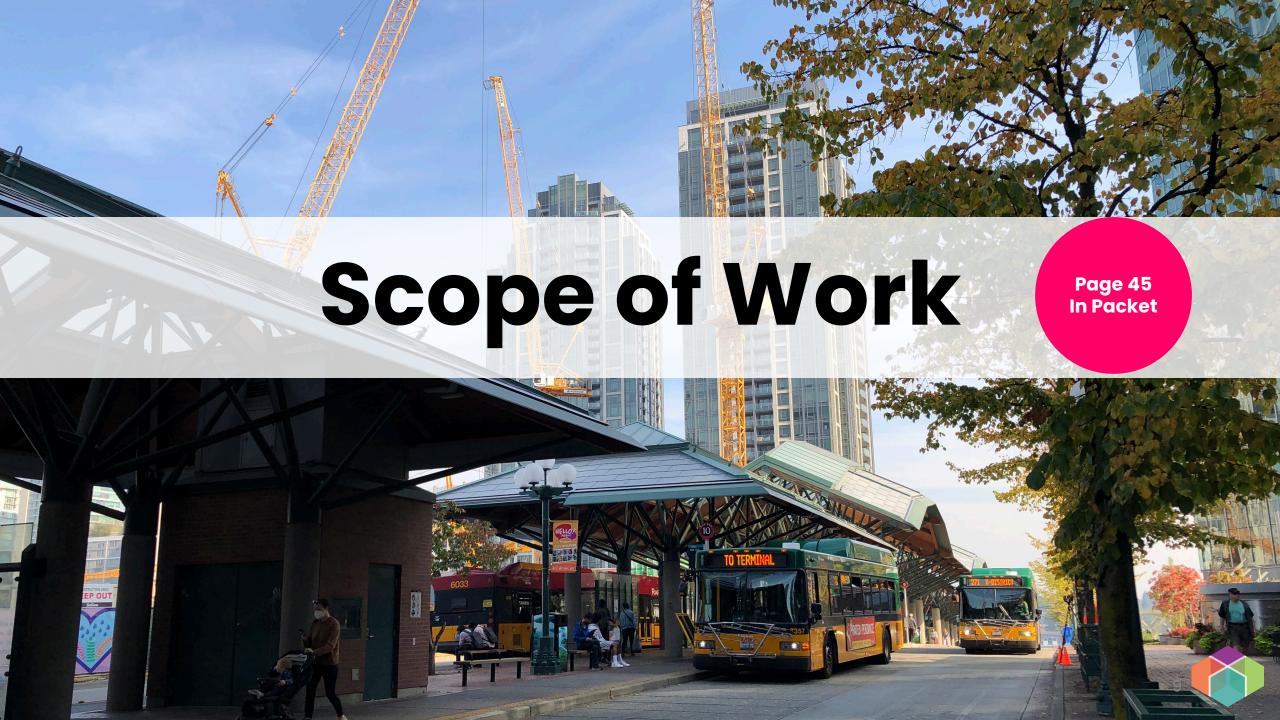
Downtown Tacoma includes a large number of small blocks, creating a fine-grained street network that is easily accessible to pedestrians as well as by public transit and car. The center is served by Tacoma Link, Amtrak, Sounder, and bus and borders I-5 to the south.

2018 Regional Centers Framework

The framework....

- Establishes criteria and planning expectations for regional centers
- Ensures consistency for designation of centers
- Addresses requirements of new centers and redesignation of existing centers
- 2024/2025 Designate new centers and redesignate existing centers





Centers Monitoring & Redesignation

Outcomes for Monitoring & Redesignation

- Evaluate the success of regional centers
- Consider the designation applications for new regional centers
- Confirm designation of existing centers with a clear redesignation process



Discussion Questions

Does the draft scope of work adequately cover needed steps for successful centers monitoring and redesignation?

Is there any additional information that may be needed for successful monitoring of the system of centers?

Does the board agree PSRC staff should proceed on the scope of work for regional centers monitoring and redesignation?

Scope of Work Timeline

2024

- Scope of work
- Systems monitoring data collection & reporting

2025

- Applications & designation for new centers
- Criteria reports & redesignation of existing centers

2026

- Systems monitoring refresh
- Recommendations for Regional Center Framework update

Local Comprehensive Plan Adoption & Certification

Systems Monitoring Report

2024: Initial system report on how the regional system of center is achieving desired outcomes

2026: Update to reflect comprehensive plan updates, growth targets, and revised capacity

Systems Report Data Categories





Mobility













New Center Application & Designation

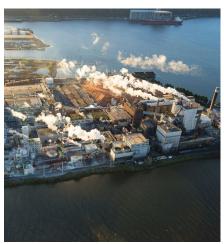
2025: Call for applications, PSRC staff recommendations & centers designation

Key Question: Should any new regional centers be designated?









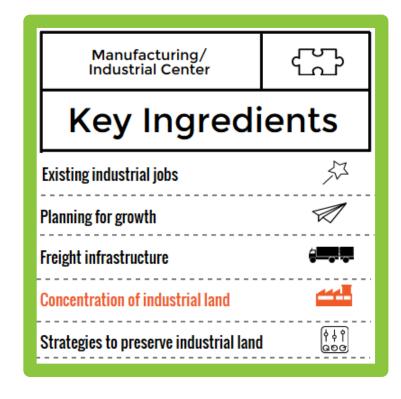


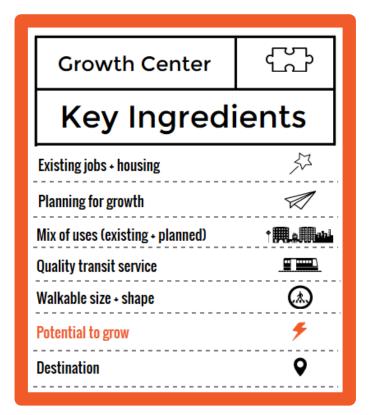
Individual Center Criteria Reports & Redesignation

2025: PSRC staff draft reports for individual centers and review with local jurisdictions

GMPB evaluates existing centers and Executive Board acts on redesignation

Overview of Criteria Reports Data









Board and Committee Outreach

Regional TOD Committee September 2023

Regional Staff Committee September 2023

Freight Advisory Committee October 2023 Growth Management Policy Board

October 2023 – Centers overview & current data November 2023 – 2025 Monitoring & redesignation

February 2024: Direction to proceed given by Growth Management Policy Board

What We've Heard – Background & Purpose

Incorporated into Scope

- Clearly state work of upcoming work and redesignation process
- Provide opportunity to consider future changes to the framework (e.g., updated planning goals, densities)
- Include role of centers and potential updates if redesignated from regional center to countywide center

What We've Heard – Systems Monitoring Report

Incorporated into Scope

 Data to Include: housing affordability, walkability, urban form consideration, transit service to neighboring centers, displacement, public health, mode share, transportation project funding, countywide centers

Included in Other PSRC Work or Outside of Scope

- Industrial lands
- Worker job locations and data set updates
- Transportation impacts to passthrough communities near centers

What We've Heard – Individual Centers

Incorporated into Scope

- Examine trend lines
- Provide opportunity for jurisdiction to provide additional context and steps taken locally
- Identification of critical infrastructure and cultural institutions
- Clarified timeline and expectations for local governments

Outside of Scope

- Criteria outside of current framework requirements: tenure, demographic information, public lands availability
 - Note: may be in online centers profiles or system report



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