

Recommend Certification of Comprehensive Plans

Growth Management Policy Board | September 4, 2025



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Overview



Today:

- Plan review status update
- Recommend certification of Bremerton, Buckley, Everett, Fife, Poulsbo, Tacoma, Tukwila, and Woodinville plans



Board Process for Certification

**Growth
Management
Policy Board**

Action Item



**Transportation
Policy Board**

Consent Agenda

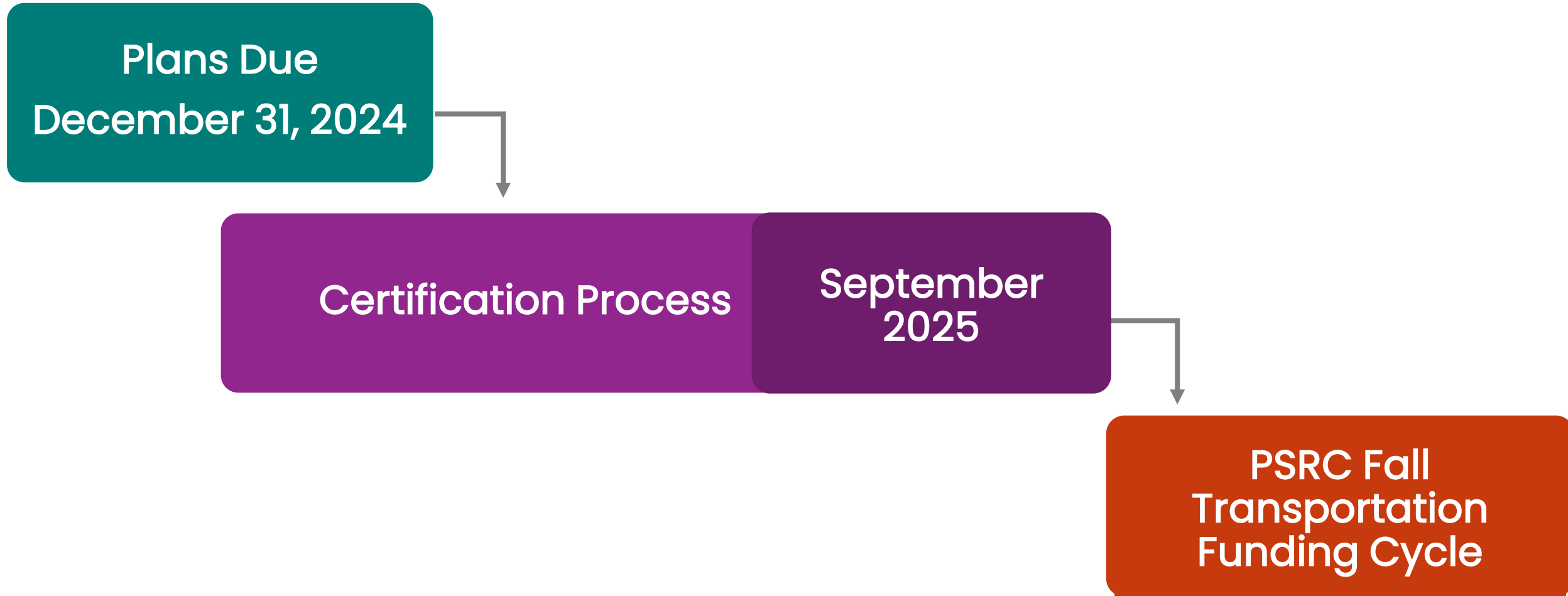


Executive Board

Certification = Consent Agenda
Conditional = Discussion Item



Certification Timeline

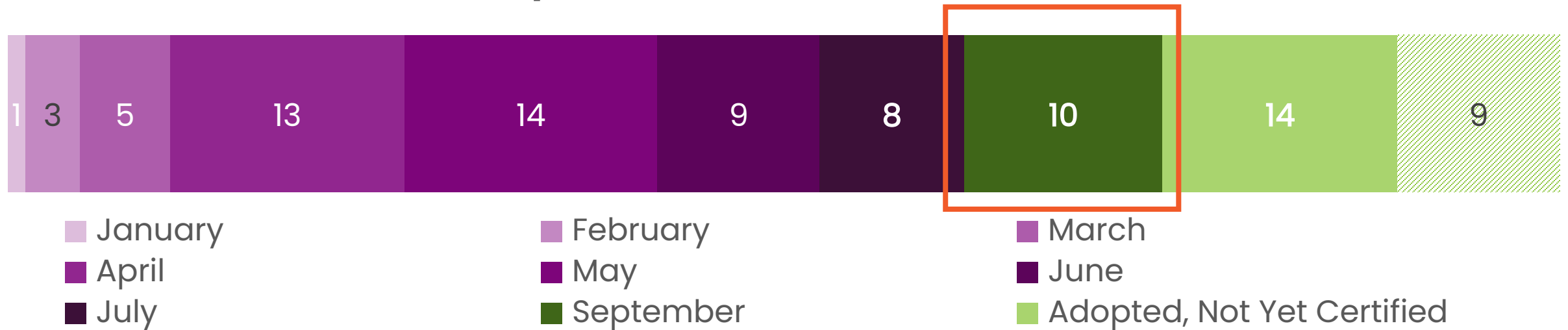


Plans were due to be submitted by June to be certified by September 2025



Certification Status Update

2024 Comprehensive Plan Certifications



- As of this meeting, initiated board review for 63 plans
- Prioritized review for jurisdictions planning to apply for fall funding competitions
- Nine jurisdictions have not yet adopted plans
- Following up with several jurisdictions regarding housing requirements

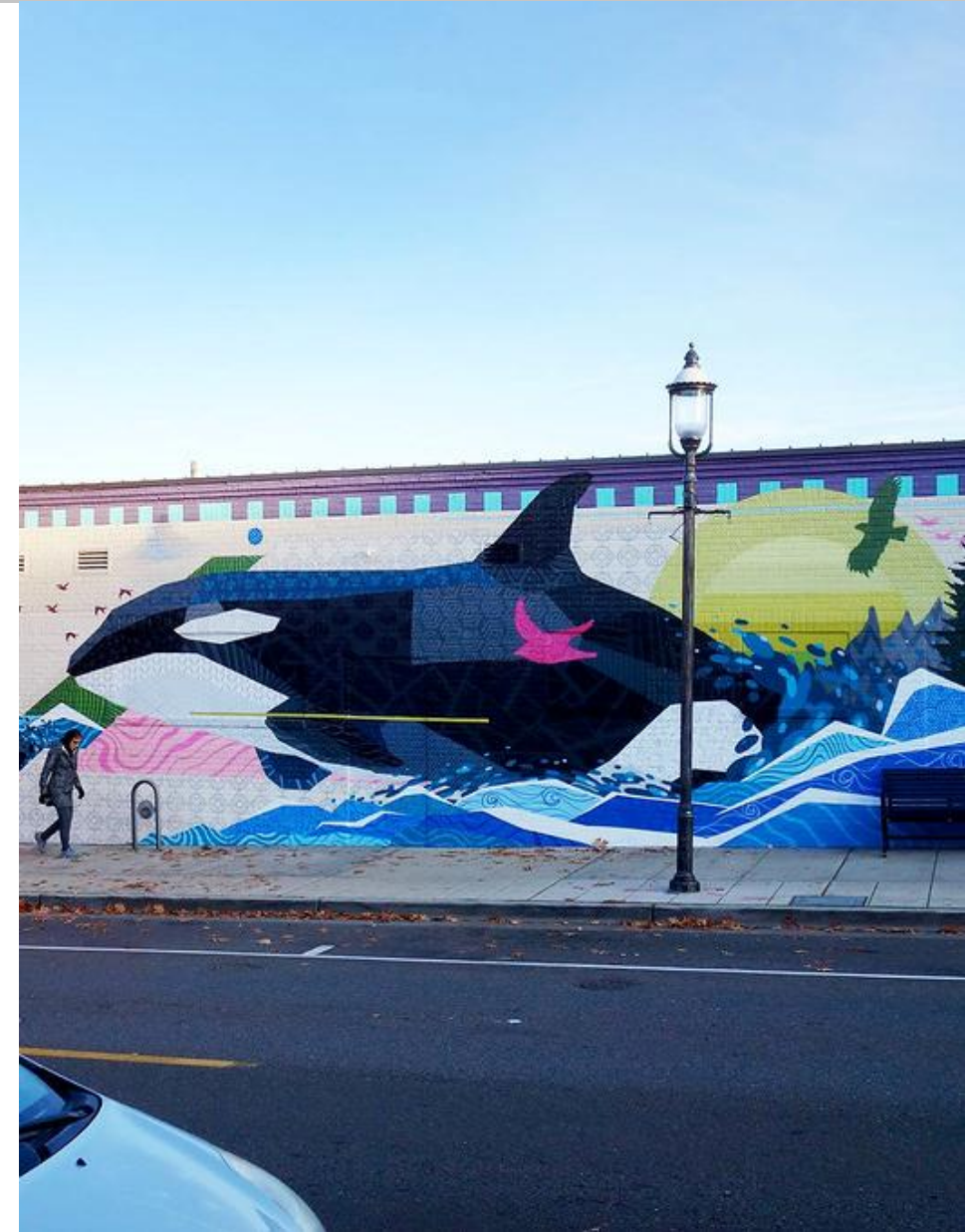


Certification Status Update



Adopted Plans: Not Yet Certified

- Beaux Arts Village
- Brier
- Clyde Hill
- Darrington
- Duvall
- Eatonville
- Gold Bar
- Hunts Point
- Medina
- Mercer Island
- Normandy Park
- Puyallup
- Roy
- Yarrow Point

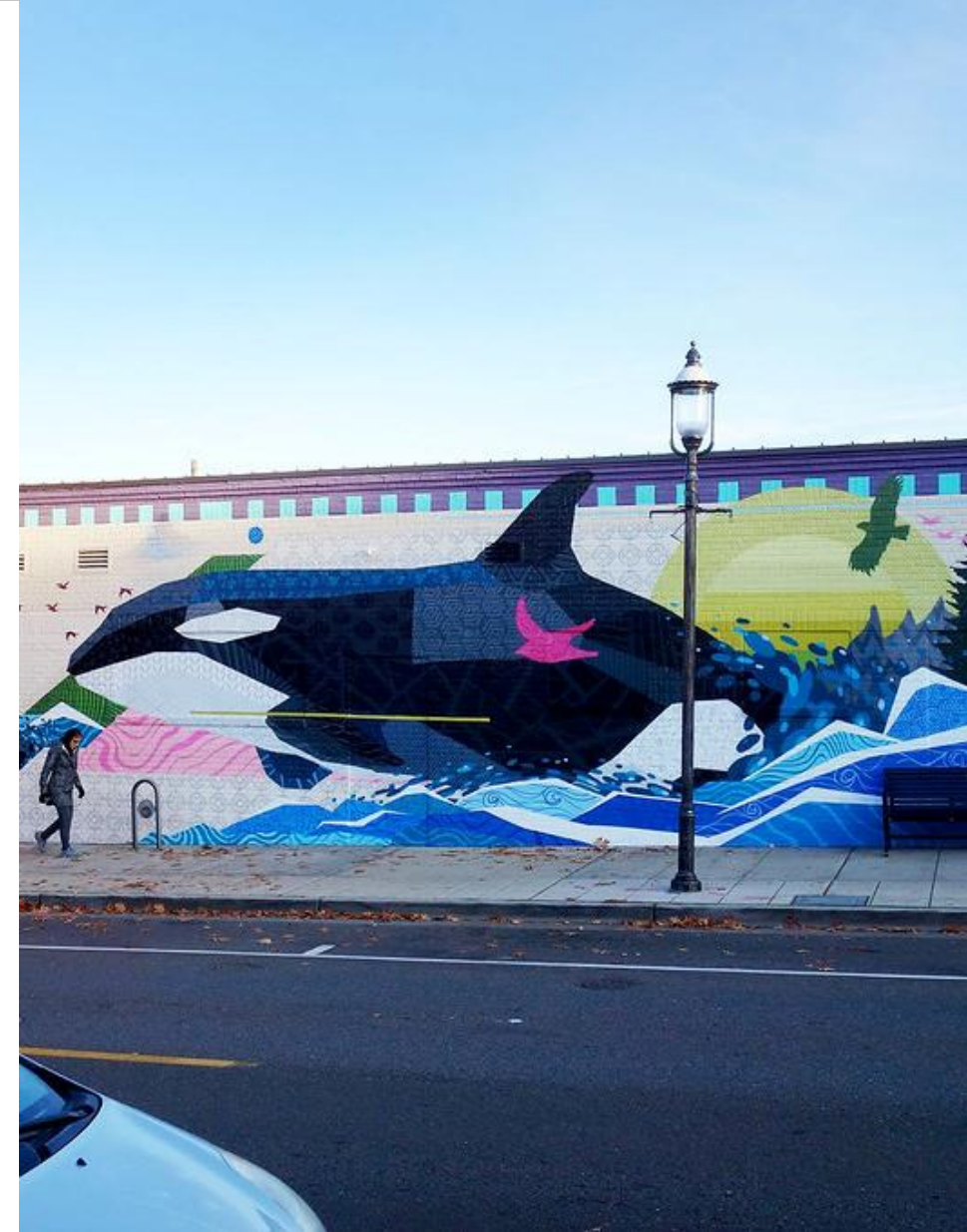


Certification Status Update



Not Yet Adopted:

- Bainbridge Island
- Black Diamond
- Bonney Lake
- Carnation
- Des Moines
- DuPont
- Pacific
- Ruston
- Seattle





Plan Certifications

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Standard Certification Recommendations



Standard comments that appear in most certification reports:

Climate change: Track state guidance for climate work due by 2029

Housing: Continue work to support housing affordability

Multimodal level of service: Track updated state guidance to implement requirements by 2029



September Comprehensive Plan Certifications



Counties: *Kitsap County*

Metro Cities: Bremerton, Everett, Tacoma

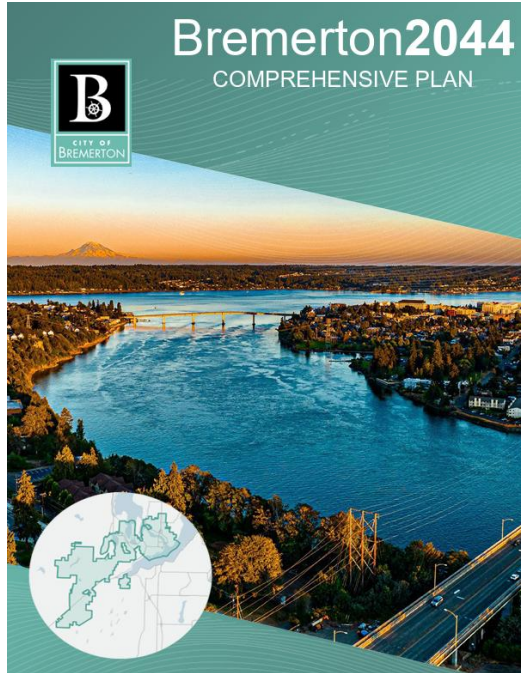
Core Cities: Tukwila

HCT Communities: Fife, Poulsbo, Woodinville

Cities & Towns: Buckley, *Snoqualmie*



City of Bremerton Comprehensive Plan



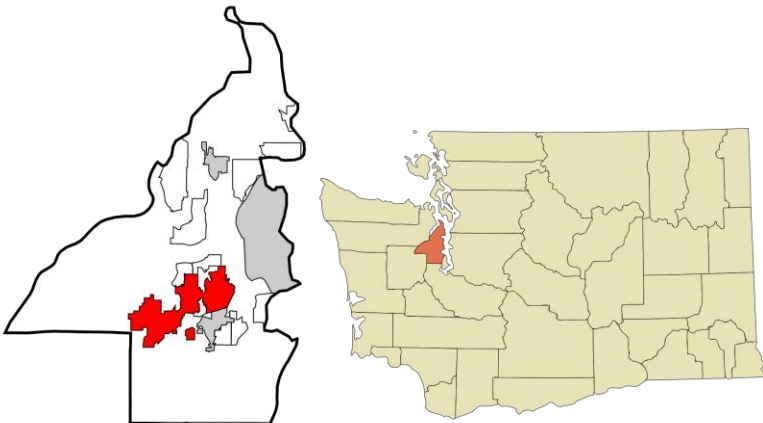
Population: 45,890

Regional Geography: Metro Cities

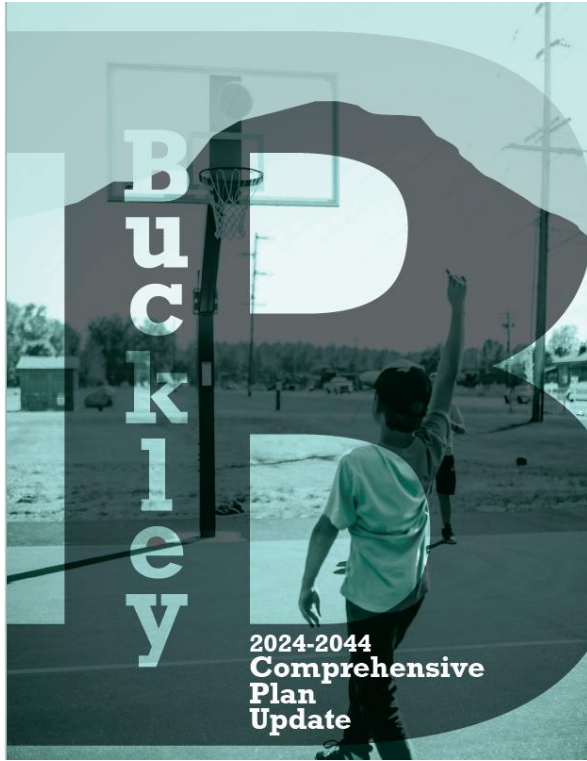
Plan Highlights: Eliminated parking requirements citywide and updated development regulations to significantly increase development opportunities downtown

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Transportation:** Include analysis of funding sufficiency and reassessment strategy



City of Buckley Comprehensive Plan



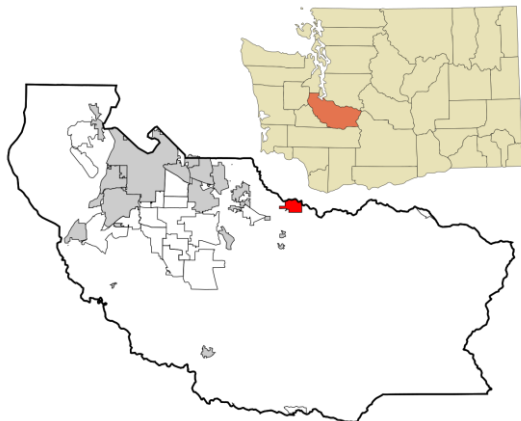
Population: 5,785

Regional Geography: Cities and Towns

Plan Highlight: Supports preservation of historic buildings and infill development in downtown Buckley

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate, housing implementation
- **Regional Growth Strategy:** Focus on improving development opportunities in the existing UGA
- **Housing:** Follow through with development code updates to provide sufficient capacity for emergency housing
- **Transportation:** Include additional information on travel demand forecasting

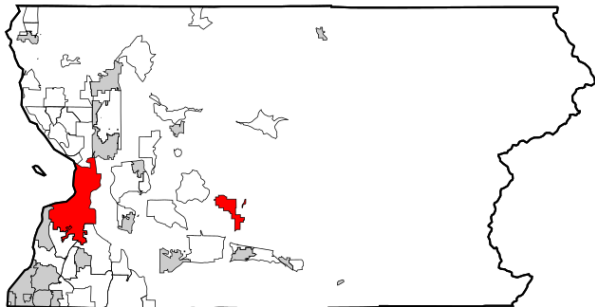


City of Everett Comprehensive Plan



Everett 2044

Planning our future together



Population: 114,700

Regional Geography: Metro Cities

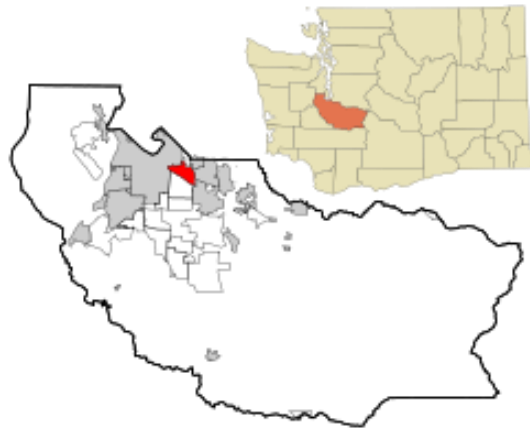
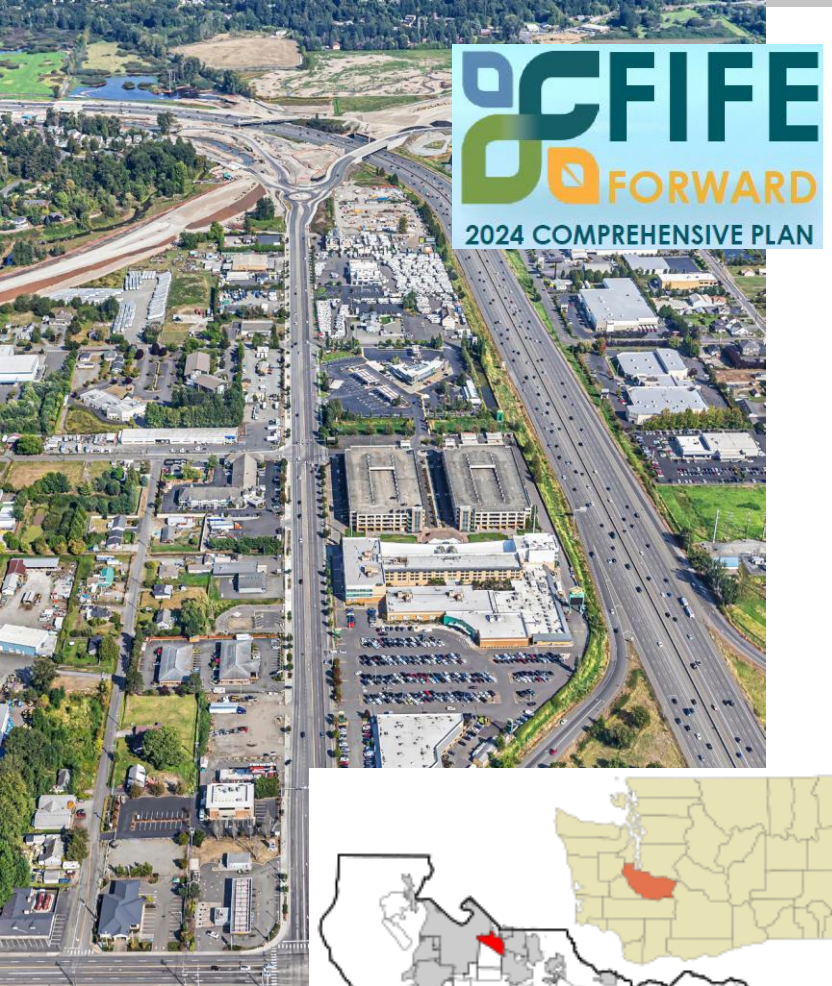
Plan Highlights: Includes strong housing equity and displacement policies and of a Healthy Community element

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Centers:** Adopt a plan for the Paine Field/Boeing Everett manufacturing/industrial center



City of Fife Comprehensive Plan



Population: 11,320

Regional Geography: HCT Communities

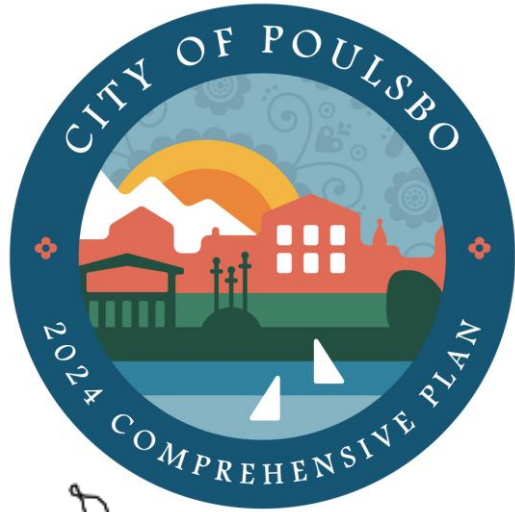
Plan Highlights: Includes strong focus on downtown redevelopment ahead of light rail service and cooperation with adjacent municipalities and the Puyallup Tribe

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate requirements, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Land Use and Annexation:** Continue to coordinate with Pierce County on Potential Annexation Areas.



City of Poulsbo Comprehensive Plan



Population: 13,010

Regional Geography: HCT Communities

Plan Highlights: Strong policies to support water quality, habitat, and shoreline resources; clear policies and implementation actions to support housing affordability

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate requirements, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Transportation:** Coordinate with WSDOT to address issues on state highway facilities



City of Woodinville Comprehensive Plan



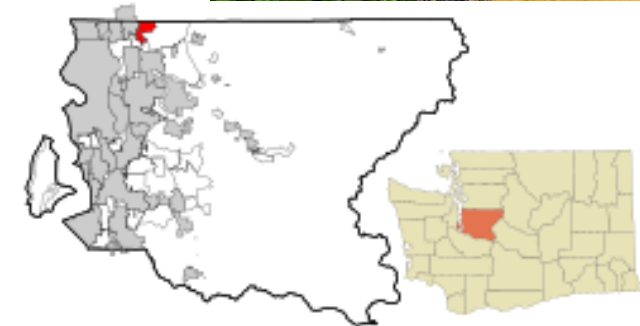
Population: 13,900

Regional Geography: HCT Communities

Plan Highlights: A new Climate Element based on the city's 2023 climate action plan; strong public engagement to support downtown development

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate requirements, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Regional Growth Strategy:** Recommend reevaluating growth targets and transportation impacts if high growth trends continue
- **Transportation:** Include a reassessment strategy



City of Tacoma Comprehensive Plan



Population: 228,400

Regional Geography: Metro Cities

Plan Highlights: An equity analysis on the plan, focus on growth within the city's regional and mixed-use centers, transportation element with a tiered, long-term project list and projected revenue for the 20-year planning period



Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate requirements, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Centers:** Complete the Tideflats MIC subarea plan



City of Tukwila Comprehensive Plan



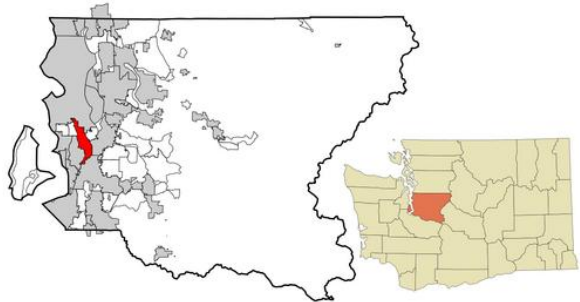
Population: 22,960

Regional Geography: Core City

Plan Highlight: Community Character chapter, goals around addressing food deserts in low-income areas

Recommended Future Work:

- **Standard comments:** Climate requirements, housing implementation, multimodal level of service standards
- **Housing:** Update plan to reflect revised emergency housing capacity
- **Environment:** Reduce impacts to vulnerable populations
- **Transportation:** Include further analysis of revenue/expenditures for 20-year planning period



Certification Finding

Plan Review



Found the plans to be substantially consistent with the transportation-related components of VISION 2050 and GMA

- Regional Collaboration
- Regional Growth Strategy
- Environment
- Climate Change
- Housing
- Economy
- Transportation
- Public Services



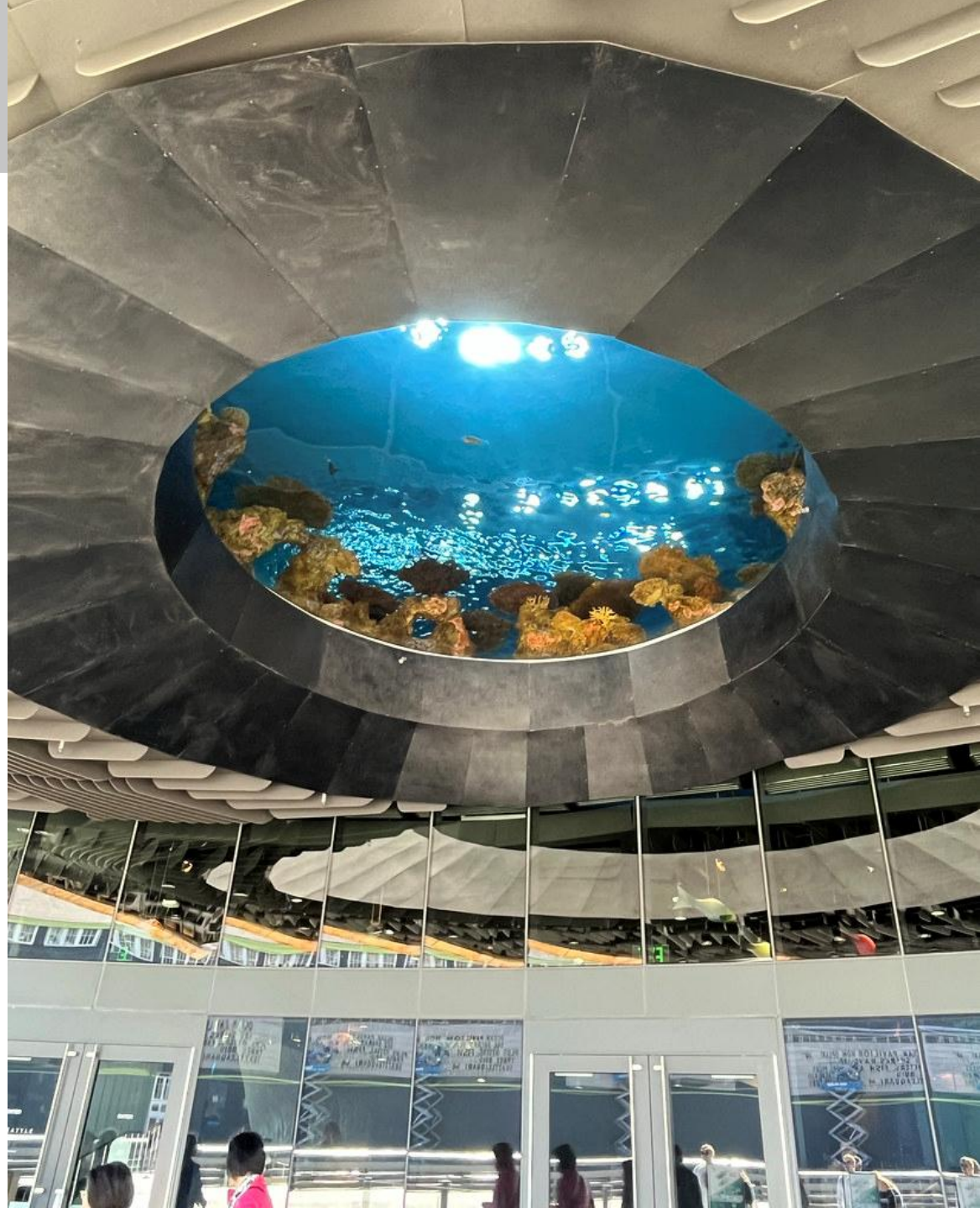
Staff Recommendation

Recommend the Executive Board certify that the transportation-related provisions of the Bremerton, Buckley, Everett, Fife, Poulsbo, Tacoma, Tukwila, and Woodinville comprehensive plans conform to the Growth Management Act and are substantially consistent with multicounty planning policies and the Regional Transportation Plan.



Next Steps

- September 11: **Transportation Policy Board** recommendation on consent agenda
- September 25: **Executive Board** action to certify on consent agenda



Thank You!

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