Review Process

Today
Continued review of GMPB recommendation
Consider amendments

March
Issue Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
Ask for board for recommendation to General Assembly

May 28
General Assembly
Publish final version after General Assembly
The long-range forecast is for continued growth

- The region is projected to grow by about 1.8 million people between 2017 and 2050
- The region is projected to add about 1.2 million jobs between 2017 and 2050
VISION 2050 Work Program

2017
- Early work

2018
- Scoping, research, planning

2019
- SEPA review, draft plan

2020
- Adoption

Public Comment Periods
- VISION Scoping | Feb – Mar 2018
- VISION DSEIS | Feb – April 2019
- Draft Plan | July – Sept 2019

Research + Data
- 2050 Forecast
- Data Trends
- Displacement Risk Mapping
- Opportunity Mapping
- Nine Background Papers

Public Outreach
- Listening Sessions
- Open Houses
- Public Opinion Survey
- Youth Engagement
- Tabling at Community Events
- Translated Materials

Board Engagement
- Topical Board Work Sessions
- Nine Extended Meetings, Four Special Mtgs in 2018-19
The Growth Management Policy Board unanimously recommends adoption of VISION 2050
VISION 2050 works to...

- Increase **housing** choices and affordability
- Provide **opportunities** for all
- Sustain a strong **economy**
- Significantly reduce greenhouse gas **emissions**
- Keep the region **moving**
- Restore the health of **Puget Sound**
- Protect a network of **open space**
- Growth in **centers** and near **transit**
- Act **collaboratively** and support **local efforts**
What’s different from VISION 2040?

- Extends planning horizon to 2050
- Updated growth strategy and aims for more growth near transit
- Advocates for sustainable funding sources
- Increases recognition of Native Tribes and military installations
- New chapter on climate change
- Directs a regional housing strategy
- Directs a regional equity strategy and consideration of forming an equity advisory group
Regional Growth Strategy

• Most growth aimed at Metro, Core, and High Capacity Transit Communities

• **65%** of region’s population growth and **75%** of employment growth in regional growth centers & near HCT

• Less growth rural areas

• Better jobs-housing balance by shifting employment allocation from King County
Regional Growth Strategy

Population Growth 2017-2050, Preferred Growth Alternative

- Increased growth in mid-to large-size cities with regional growth centers and high-capacity transit
- Decreased growth in Rural areas
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Regional Growth Strategy

Employment Growth 2017-2050, Preferred Growth Alternative

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Performance of Preferred Growth Alternative

- **Land Development**
  - Less land converted - Amount of land converted to new development is substantially less than STC or RUG alternatives

- **Transit ridership**
  - Greater transit ridership - Transit increases substantially compared to 2014 baseline; more than STC and RUG

- **Greenhouse gas emissions**
  - Greenhouse gas emissions reduced – Emissions, compared to 2014 baseline, decrease more than STC and RUG alternatives

- **Average daily drive time**
  - Better drive times – Average drive time, compared to 2014 baseline, is a greater reduction than STC and RUG alternatives

*STC = Stay the Course Alternative*
*RUG = Reset Urban Growth Alternative*
*Full analysis provided in Draft SEIS and Final SEIS*
Board Amendments

Amendments proposed by board members

- Snohomish County growth strategy allocations
- Housing related edits and new actions
Regional Growth Strategy

- Snohomish County proposes growth strategy allocations for Snohomish County to match the July draft, increasing the rural allocation

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Regional Growth Strategy

- Growth Management Policy Board considered a range of growth alternatives
- Snohomish County amendment numbers were used in the draft plan release last summer
- They are within the range analyzed by the SEPA document
- The Growth Board chose to reduce the Snohomish County Rural population allocation by about 12,000 people after review of other counties and analysis of the alternatives
Housing Amendments

King County Councilmember Balducci proposes several edits related to housing, including two new action statements:

H-Action 7
   **Housing Choice:** Counties and cities will update regulations and strategies to reduce barriers to the development and preservation of moderate density housing to bridge the gap between single-family and more intensive multifamily development, consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy.

H-Action 8
   **Housing Production:** Counties and cities will review and amend, where appropriate and consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy, development standards and regulations to reduce barriers to the development of housing by providing flexibility and minimizing additional costs.
Policies address:
• Housing production that meets existing and future needs
• Emphasis on the location of housing
• Housing in centers & access to transit
• Preserving and expanding housing affordability
• Identifying and mitigating displacement

Actions:
• Develop a regional housing strategy, including a regional needs assessment
• Technical assistance and guidance to support local planning
Next Steps

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• Issue Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
• Ask board to make recommendation to the General Assembly

May 28
• General Assembly – action to adopt plan

Final version with additional formatting and graphics published after General Assembly
Thank you.

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