

# VISION 2050 - DRAFT Public Services Chapter

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The matrix below includes policies in the existing Public Services chapter in VISION 2040 and potential revisions, shown in legislative format, that represent draft changes based on feedback from the GMPB, RSC, and other stakeholders. The proposed revisions include a select set of new policies and actions and address the GMA amendments concerning school siting, climate change, and equity.

Policy	Text	Type of Change	Reason for Proposed Update	Additional Notes
Goal	The region will support development with adequate public facilities and services in a coordinated, efficient, and cost-effective manner that supports local and regional growth planning objectives.	No change		
MPP-PS-A	<u>Promote affordability and equitable access of public services to all communities, especially the historically underserved.</u>	New policy	<b>Equity</b> - Promote affordability and equity in provision of all public services	
MPP-PS-14	<u>Plan for the provision of telecommunication infrastructure to provide access to residents and businesses in all communities, especially underserved areas.</u> <del>serve growth and development in a manner that is consistent with the regional vision and friendly to the environment.</del>	Substantive change	<b>Equity</b> - Updated to focus on serving all communities.	
MPP-PS-B	<u>Support the necessary investments in utility infrastructure to facilitate moving to low-carbon energy sources.</u>	New policy	<b>Climate Change</b> - Support electrification as part of PSRC's 4-part greenhouse gas reduction strategy.	
MPP-PS-17	<del>Identify and develop additional water supply sources to meet the region's long-term water needs, recognizing</del> <u>Consider the potential impacts on water supply from of climate change and fisheries protection on the region's water supply.</u>	Substantive change	<b>Climate Change</b> - Focused on managing impacts, recognizing few new water supply sources are available.	
MPP-PS-C	<u>Provide residents of the region with access to high quality drinking water that meets or is better than federal and state requirements.</u>	Substantive change	<b>Water quality</b> - Address access to quality drinking water.	
MPP-PS-D	<u>Work cooperatively with school districts to plan for school facilities to meet the existing and future community needs consistent with adopted comprehensive plans and growth forecasts, including siting and designing schools to support safe, walkable access and best serve their communities.</u>	New policy	<b>School Siting</b> - Supports collaborative efforts between school districts and local governments to site and plan for new schools.	

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MPP-PS-21	Site schools, institutions, and other community facilities that primarily serve urban populations within the urban growth area in locations where they will promote the local desired growth plans, <u>except as provided for by RCW 36.70A.211.</u>	Substantive change	<b>School Siting</b> - Addresses GMA amendment related to school siting that allows for schools serving both urban and rural populations in Pierce County to be sited outside GMA boundaries.	
MPP-PS-22	Locate schools, institutions, and other community facilities serving rural residents in neighboring cities and towns and design these facilities in keeping with the size and scale of the local community, <u>except as provided for by RCW 36.70A.211.</u>	Substantive change	<b>School Siting</b> - Addresses GMA amendment related to school siting that allows for schools serving both urban and rural populations in Pierce County to be sited outside GMA boundaries.	
MPP-PS-E	<u>Support efforts to increase the resilience of public services, utilities, and infrastructure by preparing for disasters and other impacts and coordinated planning for system recovery.</u>	New policy	<b>Resilience</b> - Added to address resiliency of public services and facilities.	Resilience will be defined in narrative
MPP-PS-2	Time and phase services and facilities to guide growth and development in a manner that supports the regional <u>growth strategy</u> . <del>vision.</del>	Minor change	Clarify relationship to regional growth strategy	
MPP-PS-1	Protect and enhance the environment and public health and safety when providing services and facilities.	No change		
MPP-PS-3	Promote demand management and the conservation of services and facilities prior to developing new facilities.	No change		
MPP-PS-4	Do not provide urban services in rural areas. Design services for limited access when they are needed to solve isolated health and sanitation problems, so as not to increase the development potential of the surrounding rural area.	No change		
MPP-PS-5	Encourage the design of public facilities and utilities in rural areas to be at a size and scale appropriate to rural locations, so as not to increase development pressure.	No change		
MPP-PS-6	Obtain urban services from cities or appropriate regional service providers, and encourage special service districts, including sewer, water, and fire districts, to consolidate or dissolve as a result.	No change		
MPP-PS-7	Develop conservation measures to reduce solid waste and increase recycling.	No change		

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MPP-PS-8	Promote improved conservation and more efficient use of water, as well as the increased use of reclaimed water, to reduce wastewater generation and ensure water availability.	No change		
MPP-PS-9	Serve new development within the urban growth area with sanitary sewer systems or fit it with dry sewers in anticipation of connection to the sewer system. Alternative technology to sewers should only be considered when it can be shown to produce treatment at standards that are equal to or better than the sewer system and where a long-term maintenance plan is in place.	No change		
MPP-PS-10	Replace failing septic systems within the urban growth area with sanitary sewers or alternative technology that is comparable or better.	No change		
MPP-PS-11	Use innovative and state-of-the-art design and techniques when replacing septic tanks to restore and improve environmental quality.	No change		
MPP-PS-12	Promote the use of renewable energy resources to meet the region's energy needs.	No change		
MPP-PS-13	Reduce the rate of energy consumption through conservation and alternative energy forms to extend the life of existing facilities and infrastructure.	No change		
MPP-PS-15	Coordinate, design, and plan for public safety services and programs.	No change		
MPP-PS-16	Encourage health and human services facilities to locate near centers and transit for efficient accessibility to service delivery.	No change		
MPP-PS-18	Promote coordination among local and tribal governments and water providers and suppliers to meet long-term water needs in the region in a manner that supports the region's growth strategy.	No change		
MPP-PS-19	Reduce the per capita rate of water consumption through conservation, efficiency, reclamation, and reuse.	No change		
MPP-PS-20	Protect the source of the water supply to meet the needs for both human consumption and for environmental balance.	No change		

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MPP-PS-23	Site or expand regional capital facilities in a manner that (1) reduces adverse social, environmental, and economic impacts on the host community, (2) equitably balances the location of new facilities, and (3) addresses regional planning objectives.	No change		
MPP-PS-24	Do not locate regional capital facilities outside the urban growth area unless it is demonstrated that a non-urban site is the most appropriate location for such a facility.	No change		
Action	Text	Type of Change	Reason for Proposed Update	Additional Notes
PS-Action-1	<u>The Puget Sound Regional Council will work with electrical utilities, water providers, special service districts and other utilities to facilitate coordinated efforts to develop long-range plans that comply with the Growth Management Act and implement VISION 2050.</u>	New action		
PS-Action-2	<u>The Puget Sound Regional Council will facilitate cooperative efforts with special service districts and local jurisdictions to site and design facilities that enhance local communities in accordance with growth management goals and VISION 2050.</u>	New action		