Overview

• Outreach and comments on Draft VISION 2050
• GMPB direction and process
• Outstanding issues
• Next steps
Key Policy Themes

- 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**
Draft Plan Outreach

• Released July 19 – Sept 16 for comment
• Nearly 200 attendees at five workshops and open houses
• Spoke to hundred of residents at county fairs and local events
• Over 300,000 people reached with Google and Facebook ads
• Over 9,000 pageviews for online open house; over 1,300 downloads of the draft plan
• Translated postcards into 10 languages and distributed to over 50 organizations
Comments on VISION 2050

More than 600 commenters
• Including 3 tribes, 34 cities/towns, and 74 orgs/agencies
• 1,600+ comments

Common themes & countywide comments:
• Climate change
• Regional Growth Strategy / protection of rural areas
• Equity/environmental justice
• Aviation impacts & airport planning
• Housing access & affordability
• Tribes
• Military
• Fiscal challenges / implementation
Response to Public Comments

• Major changes requested, seeking board direction
• Minor recommended text or policy changes revisions
• Statements, other no action comments

Board-Identified Amendments

• Board-initiated
• Sponsored by board members

Regional Growth Strategy

• Finalize preferred alternative
Key Changes
Consistent, not a significant change, clarification or improved wording

Some minor changes were not recommended to maintain current wording, brevity, or avoid duplication

GMPB acted to include the list of Minor Changes (Group C and C-Revised) in the draft plan
Climate Change

- Updates climate goal
- New policies and actions on climate resilience, local planning, greenhouse gas strategy

- Policy on capacity in metro cities to respond to rapid employment growth and/or displacement risk

- Policy on impacts to culturally significant sites, tribal treaty fishing, hunting, and gathering grounds
Draft Preferred Alternative

- Most growth in Metro, Core, and High Capacity Transit Communities
- **65%** of region’s population growth and **75%** of employment growth in regional growth centers & near HCT
- Lower growth allocations in urban unincorporated and rural compared with long-term trends
- Better jobs-housing balance by shifting employment allocation from King County
Changes to RGS

Pierce County:

- Inclusion of areas in HCT Communities geography
- Change to growth distributions
- Low end of Rural growth allocation
- Policy and action on rural conservation funding
Outstanding Issues

• Regional Equity Strategy – equity advisory group

• Displacement
  • Toolkit
  • Local plans
  • Funding

• Regional Growth Strategy

• Other topics
  • Environmental policies
  • School siting
  • Military installations
Does the committee have additional feedback on the VISION 2050 comments and amendments being considered by the GMPB?
Next Steps

- **Today's Meeting**
  - July 11th, July-Sept. 2019
  - Outstanding policy issues
  - Finalized draft growth strategy
  - 60-day public comment period
  - Fall 2019: Review comments, finalize draft plan, recommend to Executive Board
  - Adoption of VISION 2050 in Spring 2020
  - Recommendation to General Assembly
  - Release Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement
  - Recommendation to Executive Board

**Next Steps Diagram**

1. **Review of public comments**
   - Growth Management Policy Board
2. **Recommendation to Executive Board**
3. **Release Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement**
4. **Recommendation to General Assembly**
5. **Adoption of VISION 2050 in Spring 2020**
   - PSRC General Assembly
Thank you.

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