



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY

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### Regional Growth Strategy Update

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#### Regional Growth Strategy Policy Recommendations

The draft **Affordable Housing, Environment and Natural Lands** and **Transportation and Infrastructure** recommendations will be presented at the Board of Directors on May 19, 2010 and referred out to member municipalities and First Nations for consideration and comment. Draft **Urban Containment/Rural Protection** and **Governance and Service Delivery** recommendations will be presented to the Regional Growth Management Advisory Committee (RGMAC) for consideration on May 26, 2010.

The Regional Growth Strategy draft **Economic Development, Water Stewardship** and **Agriculture and Food Systems** recommendations have been referred to member municipalities and First Nations for consideration and comment. The recommendations under review are the product of months of discussions by the Growth Issues Working Groups that consisted of community members, key stakeholders, technical experts and local, regional and provincial staff.

**All comments should be through a council resolution that clearly provides commentary, input, requested changes and any policy gaps that have not been address through the recommendations.** All comments on the draft Working Group recommendations should be received by the Regional District of North Okanagan no later than **July 30, 2010**. Due to the compressed timeline, Regional Growth Strategy options for consideration will be refined, based upon Board direction and municipal and First Nations input, by September 1, 2010.

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#### Memorandum of Understanding on Interim Management of Planning Initiatives

The Board of Directors, on April 7, 2010, reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding on Interim Management of Planning and Development Initiatives and referred the document to member municipalities and the Electoral Area Advisory Committee for consideration and comment. The MOU will provide an opportunity to address matters of common regional concern and will ensure that decisions on land use planning and development that have cross-border or regional implications have been thoroughly considered within the context of the Regional Growth Strategy guiding principles.

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#### Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Meeting

The Intergovernmental Advisory Committee (IAC) meeting, held on April 29, 2010, discussed the preliminary policy direction of the Regional Growth Strategy. The focus of the meeting was to solicit input and comment on policy direction, concerns and opportunities by participating agencies, as well as any synergies that may result from the Regional Growth Strategy. Participating agencies and governments have been asked to submit detailed commentary on the material presented and discussed by May 30, 2010.

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#### Participation Events

The Regional Growth Strategy process has received over 600 public comments to date and much more are expected in 2010. Several public participation events and communication activities will occur over the next 6 months. The major initiatives are:

- Six Phase II Open Houses during the late summer or early autumn, 2010;
- A Regional Choices Survey;
- Display and promotional material at public events and public facilities; and
- Seniors and Youth Engagement Activities, Growth Scenario Choice Survey.

The RGS Coordinator will be available to all municipal councils for presentations or to act as a delegation.










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 IN PROGRESS

## Regional Growth Strategy Process Checklist

	Task	Status
<b>Phase I : Building a Foundation</b>  <b>March 2007 - May 2009</b>	Project Initiation	
	Application for Funding from Senior Levels of Government	
	First Intergovernmental Advisory Committee	
	1st Draft RGS Terms of Reference	
	RGS Work Plan	
	Growth Issues Identification	
	Participation Plan	
	Planning Literature Review	
	RGS Terms of Reference Confirmation from Regional Board and municipal governments	
	Launch of Regional Growth Strategy Website	
	Beginning of public communication activities	
	First Release of Regional Growth Strategy Update Newsletter	
	Regional District of North Okanagan Population, Employment, and Housing Projection: 2008-2031	
	Regional Growth Scenario Base Case Report	
	First Meeting of Growth issues Working Groups	
	First Meeting of Community Advisory Committee	
	Elected Officials' Forum I	
	Public Information Session/Open House I	
<i>Regional Issues, Vision and Goals Summary Report.</i>		
<b>Phase II: Planning, Analysis, Evaluation, and Tradeoffs</b>  <b>June 2009 - July 2010</b>	Conclusion of Working Groups Meetings	
	Development of RGS Policy Options	
	Development of RGS Policy Performance Indicators	
	Evaluation of Regional Growth Strategy Policy Options	
	Growth Issues Papers - one for each growth issue	
	Working Group Workshops	
	Regional Ideas Symposium	
	Alternative Growth Scenario Modeling	
	Growth Scenarios Evaluation Report	
	Assessment of Growth Scenario Trade-offs	
	Regional Growth Strategy Public Survey: Growth Scenarios	
	Public Information Session/Open House II	
Draft Regional Growth Strategy		
<b>Phase III: Drafting the RGS Bylaw</b>  <b>August 2010 - August 2011</b>	First Draft Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw	
	Public Information Session/Open House III	
	Second Draft of Regional Growth Strategy	
	Regional Growth Strategy Public Hearing	
	Negotiation of Agreement between all affected governments	
	Acceptance of Regional Growth Strategy Policy Document	
	Adoption of Regional Growth Strategy	
	Implementation of Regional Growth Strategy	