REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN
REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY
THE STORY SO FAR...

ARMSTRONG · COLDSTREAM · ENDERBY · LUMBY · SPALLUMCHEEN · VERNON
Electoral Areas B, C, D, E, F

A PARTNERSHIP

LONG-TERM REGIONAL V·I·S·I·O·N
- Compact, complete COMMUNITIES
- Rural protection
- A sustainable region

- 575 PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 100+ RECOMMENDATIONS

2007

"Growth needs to be managed in a COORDINATED way!"

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – REGIONAL DISTRICT of NORTH OKANAGAN

TERMS of REFERENCE DEVELOPED →

SMART GROWTH PRINCIPLES:
1. Mix land uses
2. Well designed, COMPACT neighbourhoods
3. Variety of transportation choices
4. Diverse housing opportunities
5. Encourage GROWTH in existing communities
6. Preserve OPEN spaces, natural beauty, and environmentally sensitive areas
7. Protect/enhance agricultural lands
8. Smarter, cheaper infrastructure
9. Foster UNIQUE neighbourhood identity
10. Nurture ENGAGED citizens

2008

INPUT
- FIRST NATIONS
- MUNICIPAL COUNCILS CONFIRMED + SUPPORTED BY ALL COUNCILS

All elected officials in the region invited to come up with a

VISION

THE NORTH OKANAGAN IS A UNIQUE REGION THAT WILL CONTINUE TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR ITS D·I·V·E·R·S·E NATURAL HABITATS, ROBUST ECONOMIES, OUTSTANDING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES and HIGH QUALITY URBAN + RURAL LIFESTYLES

2009

Elected officials forum frames CORE ISSUES for RGS

3 OPEN HOUSES
- Vernon
- Enderby
- Lumby

JUNE · JULY · AUGUST

Online SURVEYS to help define the issues

28 SURVEYS

122 COMMENTS

P·A·R·T·I·C·I·P·A·T·I·O·N P·L·A·N
- GOAL: WIDESPREAD COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION
- 2 SUB-PLANS:
  - Seniors engagement strategy
  - Youth engagement strategy

Regional GROWTH 104,233 (2031) · 78,877 (2006)

2010

AGE-FRIENDLY SURVEYS + 38 LETTERS + 100 YOUTH + 303 SENIORS

KEY ISSUES of CONCERN

ECO-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES · small friendly compact-complete · Better JOBS · MORE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS · MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS · MORE Youth ACTIVITIES + OPPORTUNITIES...

MOST IMPORTANT: The natural environment/landscape – and the lifestyle & opportunities it affords!

8 WORKING GROUPS
- COMMUNITY MEMBERS
- COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
- KEY STAKEHOLDERS
- FIRST NATIONS
- EXPERTS
- PROVINCIAL STAFF
- LOCAL STAFF
- REGIONAL STAFF

POLITICAL DIRECTION + PUBLIC INPUT

Recommendations

1. URBAN CONTAINMENT
   - Compact, complete communities
   - Rural protection
2. WATER STEWARDSHIP
   - Water protection and conservation
   - True cost of water
3. AGRICULTURE + FOOD SYSTEMS
   - Sustainably managed water
   - Protect agricultural land
   - Agricultural economic development
   - Healthy regional food system
4. ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL LANDS
   - Protect watersheds, natural lands, open spaces
   - Reduce/prevent pollution
5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
   - Regional economic dev. plan
6. TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE
   - Regional transportation corridors
   - Integrated transportation planning
   - Sustainable infrastructure
7. AFFORDABLE HOUSING
   - Regional approach to diverse housing choice
   - Senior gov't help
8. GOVERNANCE & SERVICE DELIVERY
   - A foundation of regional cooperation
   - Effective + efficient service delivery

RECOMMENDATIONS → REFERRED TO: MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES + FIRST NATIONS → for comment

2011

PHASE 3: THE RGS BYLAW PROCESS

RGS OPTIONS

Your CHOICE... Your REGION!

DIRECTION → OPEN HOUSE → ISSUES → OPTIONS

PHASE 1: MARCH 07 – AUG. 09

PHASE 2: SEPT. 09 – DEC. 10

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