PLANNING NOW FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
Metro 2050: Planning Now for Future Generations

UPDATING THE REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY

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Today

• Who is Metro Vancouver?
• Growth in our Region
• Strengths of Metro 2040
• What’s changing in Metro 2050?
• How can you be involved?
Metro Vancouver

Population: 2.6 million

Comprises 53% of the population of BC

Land Area: 287,736 ha
Metro Vancouver
Member Jurisdictions

21 Municipalities, 1 Electoral Area, and 1 Treaty First Nation

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A LIVABLE REGION
A Growing Region

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Regional Planning Principles

• Put growth in the right places (centres and corridors)

• Protect important lands (agricultural, conservation, industrial)

• Support complete communities

• Support diverse and affordable housing, better mobility and a prosperous economy

• Support efficient urban infrastructure (utilities, transit)
Metro 2040

- Adopted in 2011 by member jurisdictions, FVRD, SLRD, TransLink and MVRD Board

- Strong and effective long-term vision for collaboratively managing anticipated growth to the region
Metro 2040

Goal 1: Create a Compact Urban Area
Goal 2: Support a Sustainable Economy
Goal 3: Protect the Environment and Respond to Climate Change
Goal 4: Develop Complete Communities
Goal 5: Support Sustainable Transportation Choices
Putting it all together
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Building on *Metro 2040’s* Successes
Contain Growth – Urban Containment Boundary

Target to 2041
98% of growth within the UCB

Performance 2011-2016
98%
Focus Growth – Urban Centres

Target to 2041

40% of housing and 50% of employment growth to Urban Centres

Performance 2011-2016

39%
Focus Growth – Frequent Transit Network

Target to 2041

28%

of housing growth along the Frequent Transit Network

Performance 2011-2016

25%

Based on current FTN
Why update the Regional Growth Strategy?
Update Growth Projections to 2050
Align with Transport 2050 - the Regional Transportation Strategy
Consider Critical Issues - Climate Change
Consider Critical Issues – Social Equity
Policy Reviews

- Urban Centres and FTDA
- Agriculture
- Rural
- Industrial and Mixed Employment
- Housing
- Environment
- Transportation
- Complete Communities
- Climate Change and Natural Hazards
- Implementation
- Update projections
PROJECT TIMELINE

- **2019**
  - Phase 1: Policy Reviews & New Ideas
    - Board Direction (April)
    - Council Presentations
    - Engagement Plan Q3 (July)
  - Policy Review Reports

- **2020**
  - Phase 2: Drafting Metro 2050
    - Draft Metro 2050 referral for comment
  - Council Presentations

- **2021**
  - Phase 3: Approvals
    - Metro 2050 referral for acceptance
  - Board Adoption July 2022

- **2022**
  - Board Adoption

Timeline:
- 2020: Drafting Metro 2050
- 2021: Approvals
- 2022: Board Adoption
Engaging with Partners and the Community
Today: Consider how to better integrate planning for transportation…
…with planning for land use, and population growth in the region.
Supportive Policy Research

- Housing + Transportation Cost Burden Study
- Transit Oriented Affordable Housing Study (TOAHS)
- Regional Affordable Housing Strategy
- Housing Databook
- Corridor Studies
Ways to be engaged

- Online Comment Form
- Regional Planning E-Bulletin
- Metro 2050 Dialogue Series
- Talk to your local government representative
- Watch for upcoming videos, webinars, and more!
Thank you