



RDCO Referral

Regional Growth Strategy
5-Year Review

Purpose

- ▶ To provide comments and recommendation regarding if there is a need for a review of the Regional Growth Strategy

Regional Growth Strategy

- ▶ Agreed future vision by local governments
- ▶ Long range plan – 20 years
- ▶ Broad goals for a region
- ▶ Reflected in local government plans and policies
- ▶ Implementation & Monitoring



Regional District of Central Okanagan Regional Growth Strategy

"Our Home, Our Future"



Schedule 'A'

Bylaw No.1336, 2013



Source: Pictures BC



Implementation

- ▶ Many projects completed, in progress, or planned across the region
- ▶ RGS Steering Committee
- ▶ 5 year action plan
 - ▶ 9 projects supporting various RGS policies and Issue Areas
 - ▶ consideration for a Five-year Review was identified as one of the projects
- ▶ Existing RGS framework provides flexibility for implementation

Five-Year Action Plan Summary – Status Update

Project	Status
Regional Flood Management Plan	Phase 2 Complete Phase 3 Ongoing
Regional Planning Lab	Ongoing
Regional Housing Needs Assessment	Complete
Regional Growth Strategy Monitoring Program	Complete
Regional Citizen Survey	2021
Regional Housing Strategy	2021
Regional Growth Strategy Five Year Review	2021
Regional Agricultural Strategy	TBD
Regional Employment Lands Inventory	TBD

Background


- ▶ *Local Government Act*

- ▶ At least once every five years the Regional District must consider whether the RGS should be reviewed for possible amendment

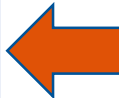
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- ▶ Provide opportunity for input on whether the RGS should be reviewed

Consultation Plan



Regional Board	Scope of engagement process and endorsement of the consultation plan
RGS Steering Committee	Update on the consultation plan
External Referral	Opportunity for affected local governments, First Nations, provincial ministries and agencies and other levels of government to provide comments
RDCO Website Advertisement	Information on the opportunity for public comment
Newspaper Advertisements – Notice of Public Meeting	Notice of the opportunity for public comment
Public Meeting	To provide a formal opportunity for public input to provide comments
Regional Board	Provide a decision on the need for a review of Our Home, Our Future, the Regional Growth Strategy.



Lessons Learned

- ▶ Similar processes in other jurisdictions have highlighted issues with the RGS legislation
 - ▶ Costly and time consuming processes
 - ▶ Challenges with process and content
- ▶ Comprehensive review and update of RGS legislation is needed

Summary

- ▶ Numerous successful initiatives and projects have been completed
- ▶ Ongoing implementation of the Priority Project Plan
- ▶ Opportunity to assess priorities within the existing RGS framework to identify other projects to support continued implementation
- ▶ A review and update of the RGS could become a multi-year initiative which would require designated resources

Recommendation

- ▶ THAT Council recommends the Regional District of Central Okanagan not undertake a 5-year review of the Regional Growth Strategy Bylaw No. 1336



Questions?

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