

VISION 2050 Goals, Policies, and Actions Table

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The adopted goals, policies, and actions in VISION 2040 were used as a starting point for VISION 2050. This table compiles specific revisions and rationale for changes to the multicounty planning policies in VISION 2050 and translates between the policy numbering in VISION 2040 and VISION 2050. The table is organized by policy section in the plan. Amendments made by the Growth Management Policy Board or the Executive Board in response to comments are noted in the "Type/Reason of Change" column. PSRC's General Assembly adopted VISION 2050 on October 29, 2020.

VISION 2050 Regional Collaboration Goal, Policies, and Actions

Goal		<u>The region plans collaboratively for a healthy environment, thriving communities, and opportunities for all.</u>	New goal. Prior chapter (General Policies) did not include a goal statement.
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MPP-RC-1	MPP-G-1	Coordinate planning efforts among jurisdictions, agencies, and federally recognized Indian tribes, ports, and adjacent regions , where there are common borders or related regional issues, to facilitate a common vision.	Coordination - change adds reference to adjacent regions; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RC-2	n/a	<u>Prioritize services and access to opportunity for people of color, people with low incomes, and historically underserved communities to ensure all people can attain the resources and opportunities to improve quality of life and address past inequities.</u>	Equity - new policy focuses on advancing social equity; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RC-3	n/a	<u>Make reduction of health disparities and improvement of health outcomes across the region a priority when developing and carrying out regional, countywide, and local plans.</u>	Health - new policy focuses on improving health outcomes; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RC-4	n/a	<u>Coordinate with tribes in regional and local planning, recognizing the mutual benefits and potential for impacts between growth occurring within and outside tribal boundaries.</u>	Tribes - new policy emphasizes the need for coordination between local and regional agencies and tribes
MPP-RC-5	n/a	<u>Consult with military installations in regional and local planning, recognizing the mutual benefits and potential for impacts between growth occurring within and outside installation boundaries.</u>	Military - new policy emphasizes the need for coordination between local and regional agencies and the military
MPP-RC-6	n/a	<u>Recognize the beneficial impacts of military installations as well as the land use, housing, and transportation challenges for adjacent and nearby communities.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-RC-7	MPP-DP-7, DP-10, T-12	Give funding priority – both for transportation infrastructure and for economic development – to support designated regional growth centers <u>and manufacturing/industrial centers</u> , consistent with the regional vision. Regional funds are prioritized to regional centers. County-level and local funding are also appropriate to prioritize to regional growth centers.	Funding - change consolidates existing funding-related policies that address funding for both regional growth centers and manufacturing/industrial centers

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MPP-RC-8	MPP-DP-13	Direct subregional funding, especially county-level and local funds, <u>to countywide centers, high-capacity transit areas with a station area plan, and other local centers.</u> centers designated through countywide processes, as well as to town centers, and other activity nodes. <u>County-level and local funding are also appropriate to prioritize to regional centers.</u>	Funding - change updates terminology, incorporates language from DP-7 and DP-10, and includes transit station areas with plans
MPP-RC-9	MPP-H-6	Recognize and give regional funding priority to transportation facilities, infrastructure, and services that explicitly advance the development of housing in designated regional growth centers. Give additional priority to projects and services that advance <u>and support new and existing</u> affordable housing <u>that includes low-and very low-income residents.</u>	Funding - relocated policy to consolidate funding-related policies in one section. Executive Board amended.
MPP-RC-10	MPP-G-5	Identify and develop changes to regulatory, pricing, taxing, and expenditure practices, and other fiscal tools within the region to implement the vision.	No change
MPP-RC-11	MPP-G-4	Explore new and existing sources of funding for services and infrastructure, recognizing that such funding is vital if local governments are to achieve the regional vision.	No change
MPP-RC-12	n/a	<u>Support local and regional efforts to develop state legislation to provide new fiscal tools to support local and regional planning and to support infrastructure improvements and services.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-RC-13	MPP-G-2	Update countywide planning policies, where necessary, prior to December 31, 2040 <u>2021</u> , to address the multicounty planning policies in VISION-2040 <u>VISION 2050</u> .	Countywide Planning Policies - change updates date and VISION 2050 reference
MPP-RC-14	MPP-G-3	Monitor implementation of VISION 2040 <u>2050</u> to evaluate progress in achieving the Regional Growth Strategy, as well as the <u>regional collaboration</u> , environment, <u>climate change</u> , development patterns, housing, economy, transportation, and public services provisions.	Implementation - change updates VISION 2050 reference and reflect new titles
MPP-RC-15	n/a	<u>Promote regional and national efforts to restore Puget Sound and its watersheds, in coordination with cities, counties, federally recognized tribes, federal and state agencies, utilities, and other partners.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
RC-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Plan Updates: PSRC will support efforts to update countywide planning policies, local comprehensive plans, and infrastructure and utility plans, including providing updated plan review and certification guidance.</u>	Outreach and coordination - supports implementation of VISION 2050
RC-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Monitoring Program: PSRC will track the implementation of VISION 2050 through monitoring and periodic evaluation.</u>	Monitoring - supports ongoing implementation of VISION 2050

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RC-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<p><u>Regional Equity Strategy: PSRC, in coordination with member governments and community stakeholders, will develop and implement a regional equity strategy intended to make equity central to PSRC's work and to support the 2024 local comprehensive plan updates. The strategy could include components such as:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• Creating and maintaining tools and resources, including data and outreach, to better understand how regional and local policies and actions affect our region's residents, specifically as they relate to people of color and people with low incomes.</u> <u>• Developing strategies and best practices for centering equity in regional and local planning work, including inclusive community engagement, monitoring, and actions to achieve equitable development outcomes and mitigate displacement of vulnerable communities.</u> <u>• Identifying implementation steps, including how to measure outcomes.</u> <u>• Identifying mechanisms to prioritize access to funding to address inequities.</u> <u>• Developing a plan and committing resources for an equity advisory group that can help provide feedback on and help implement the Regional Equity Strategy.</u> <u>• Developing and adopting an equity impact tool for evaluating PSRC decisions and community engagement.</u> 	Equity - supports development of a regional equity strategy; GMPB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
RC-Action 4 (Regional)	n/a	<p><u>Outreach: PSRC will develop an outreach program for VISION 2050 that is designed to communicate the goals and policies of VISION 2050 to member jurisdictions, regional stakeholders, the business community, and the public. This work program will have the following objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• Build awareness of VISION 2050 among local jurisdictions in advance of the development of local comprehensive plans.</u> <u>• Raise awareness of PSRC and the desired outcomes of VISION 2050 to residents across the region.</u> <u>• Collaborate with residents who are historically underrepresented in the planning process to ensure all voices are heard in regional planning.</u> 	Outreach - supports continued public outreach for VISION 2050; GMPB amended in response to comment review

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RC-Action-5 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Project Selection Criteria:</u> Incorporate criteria into regional infrastructure evaluation processes that would allow for the inclusion and funding of transportation projects, identified in a completed local or regional transportation study, that relate to and potentially benefit access to military installations and surrounding jurisdictions. Funding for such projects will be consistent with the goals and policies of VISION 2050, including support for regional centers and progress toward greenhouse gas emissions reductions targets.	GMPB added in response to comment review
RC-Action-6 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Project Support for Puget Sound Recovery:</u> PSRC will develop a methodology within the regional transportation funding process that would support projects that contribute to the recovery of the health of Puget Sound and its watersheds.	GMPB added in response to comment review
RC-Action-7 (Regional and Local)	n/a	<u>Funding Sources:</u> PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, will investigate existing and new funding sources for infrastructure, services, economic development, military-community compatibility, natural resource planning, and open space, to assist local governments with the implementation of VISION 2050. Explore options to develop incentives and innovative funding mechanisms, particularly in centers and transit station areas. Provide technical assistance to help local jurisdictions use existing and new funding sources.	Funding - supports implementation of VISION 2050; GMPB amended in response to comment review
RC-Action-8 (Regional and Local)	n/a	<u>Communicate VISION 2050 to State Agencies and the Legislature:</u> PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, will relay the goals and objectives of VISION 2050 to state agencies and the Legislature, in order to promote changes in state law and funding to best advance VISION 2050.	State coordination - supports implementation of VISION 2050
RC-Action-9 (Regional and Local)	n/a	<u>Fiscal Sustainability:</u> PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, will advocate to the state Legislature about the needs for counties (including unincorporated areas), cities, and other public agencies and service providers to remain fiscally sustainable and the fiscal challenges facing local governments, public agencies and service providers related to accommodating growth, maintaining aging infrastructure, and the annexation of urban areas.	GMPB added in response to comment review

VISION 2050 Regional Growth Strategy Goal, Policies, and Actions

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VISION 2050 #	VISION 2040 #	Policy/Action	Type/Reason of Change
		<u>The region accommodates growth in urban areas, focused in designated centers and near transit stations, to create healthy, equitable, vibrant communities well-served by infrastructure and services. Rural and resource lands continue to be vital parts of the region that retain important cultural, economic, and rural lifestyle opportunities over the long term.</u>	New goal. Prior chapter (Regional Growth Strategy) did not include a goal statement.
MPP-RGS-1	n/a	<u>Implement the Regional Growth Strategy through regional policies and programs, countywide planning policies and growth targets, local plans, and development regulations.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - new policy addresses implementation; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RGS-2	MPP-DP-3	Use consistent countywide targeting processes for allocating population and employment growth consistent with the regional vision, including establishing: (a) local employment targets, (b) local housing targets based on population projections, and (c) local housing and employment growth <u>and manufacturing/industrial center</u> targets for each designated regional growth center <u>and manufacturing/industrial center.</u>	Regional Centers Framework - change clarifies expectations for manufacturing/industrial center employment targets
MPP-RGS-3	n/a	<u>Provide flexibility in establishing and modifying growth targets within countywide planning policies, provided growth targets support the Regional Growth Strategy.</u>	Growth Targets - new policy recognizes local flexibility in implementing the Regional Growth Strategy; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RGS-4	MPP-DP-4	Accommodate the region's growth first and foremost in the urban growth area. Ensure that development in rural areas is consistent with the regional vision <u>and the goals of the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan.</u>	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RGS-5	MPP-DP-1	Provide a regional framework for the designation and adjustment of the urban growth area to e <u>Ensure long-term stability and sustainability of the urban growth area consistent with the regional vision.</u>	Urban Growth Area - change removes provision for a regional framework
MPP-RGS-6	MPP-DP-2	Encourage efficient use of urban land by maximizing <u>optimizing</u> the development potential of existing urban lands <u>and increasing density in the urban growth area in locations consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy such as advancing development that achieves zoned density.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - change encourages infill and increasing densities within the urban growth area
MPP-RGS-7	n/a	<u>Provide additional housing capacity in Metropolitan Cities in response to rapid employment growth, particularly through increased zoning for middle density housing. Metropolitan Cities must review housing needs and existing density in response to evidence of high displacement risk and/or rapid increase in employment.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review

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MPP-RGS-8	n/a	<u>Attract 65% of the region's residential growth and 75% of the region's employment growth to the regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas to realize the multiple public benefits of compact growth around high-capacity transit investments. As jurisdictions plan for growth targets, focus development near high-capacity transit to achieve the regional goal.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - new policy addresses growth goals for transit-oriented development; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-RGS-9	MPP-DP-5	Focus a significant share of population and employment growth in designated regional growth centers.	No change
MPP-RGS-10	MPP-DP-8	Focus a significant share of employment growth in designated regional manufacturing/industrial centers.	No change
MPP-RGS-11	n/a	<u>Encourage growth in designated countywide centers.</u>	Regional Centers Framework - new policy encourages growth in designated countywide centers
MPP-RGS-12	n/a	<u>Avoid increasing development capacity inconsistent with the Regional Growth Strategy in regional geographies not served by high-capacity transit.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - new policy focuses development capacity in areas with high-capacity transit
MPP-RGS-13	MPP-DP-16	Direct Plan for commercial, retail, and community services that serve rural residents to locate in neighboring cities and existing activity areas to prevent <u>avoid</u> the conversion of rural land into commercial uses.	Rural growth - change clarifies rural planning objectives
MPP-RGS-14	n/a	<u>Manage and reduce rural growth rates over time, consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy, to maintain rural landscapes and lifestyles and protect resource lands and the environment.</u>	Rural growth - new policy addresses managing growth pressures in rural areas
MPP-RGS-15	n/a	<u>Support the establishment of regional funding sources to acquire conservation easements in rural areas.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-RGS-16	n/a	<u>Identify strategies, incentives, and approaches to facilitate the annexation or incorporation of unincorporated areas within urban growth areas into cities.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
RGS-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Urban Growth Area: PSRC will report on urban growth area changes, annexation activity, and countywide coordination practices in each county.</u>	Urban Growth Area - supports regional coordination regarding urban growth area
RGS-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Track and Evaluate Growth: PSRC will study, track, and evaluate growth and development occurring in the central Puget Sound region and in high-capacity transit station areas in terms of meeting the goals and objectives of the Regional Growth Strategy.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - supports monitoring growth patterns

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RGS-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Growth Targets: PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, will provide guidance and participate with countywide processes that set or modify local housing and employment targets. This effort will include consideration of the timing of Regional Growth Strategy implementation in relation to anticipated completion of regional transit investments and corresponding market responses. PSRC will also provide guidance on growth targets for designated regional centers and improving jobs-housing balance, and coordinate with member jurisdictions regarding buildable lands reporting.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - directs PSRC to provide guidance to assist local jurisdictions with setting growth targets; GMPB amended in response to comment review
RGS-Action-4 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Rural Growth: PSRC, together with its members and stakeholders, will explore and implement, as feasible, opportunities for local, regional and state-wide conservation programs to reduce development pressure in rural and resource areas to conserve valuable open space areas:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Establishing a regional structure for Transfer and Purchase of Development Rights and open space markets.</u> • <u>Publishing a toolkit of open space conservation and other rural protection strategies.</u> • <u>Working to facilitate city and urban development consistent with VISION 2050 that reduces rural development pressure.</u> 	Rural Growth - supports conservation programs; GMPB amended in response to comment review; General Assembly amended
RGS-Action-5 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Regional Conservation Fund: PSRC, in collaboration with its members and other partners, will explore and support the establishment of regional funding sources to acquire conservation easements in rural areas.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
RGS-Action-6 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Outreach: PSRC will work with members to address ways the region can help communities understand and support increased growth within the urban growth area. VISION 2050's success is dependent on cities and counties welcoming new growth.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
RGS-Action-7 (Local)	n/a	<u>Regional Growth Strategy: As counties and cities update their comprehensive plans in 2024 to accommodate growth targets and implement the Regional Growth Strategy, support the implementation of a full range of strategies, including zoning and development standards, incentives, infrastructure investments, housing tools, and economic development, to achieve a development pattern that aligns with VISION 2050 and to reduce rural growth rates over time and focus growth in cities.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - supports local implementation; GMPB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.

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RGS-Action-8 (Local)	n/a	<p><u>Plan for Jobs-Housing Balance: Countywide planning groups will consider data on jobs-housing balance, especially recent and projected employment growth within Metropolitan and Core cities, to set housing growth targets that substantially improve jobs-housing balance consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy. Metropolitan and Core cities experiencing high job growth will take measures to provide additional housing capacity for a range of housing types and affordability levels to meet the needs of those workers as well as the needs of existing residents who may be at risk of displacement.</u></p>	GMPB added in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
RGS-Action-9 (Local)	n/a	<p><u>Growth Targets: Countywide planning groups will work to develop processes to reconcile any discrepancies between city and county adopted targets contained in local comprehensive plans.</u></p>	GMPB added in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.

VISION 2050 Environment Goal, Policies, and Actions

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Goal	The region will cares for the natural environment by protecting and restoring natural systems, conserving habitat, improving water quality, and reducing greenhouse gas emissions and air pollutants, and addressing potential climate change impacts. The region acknowledges that the health of all residents <u>and the economy</u> is connected to the health of the environment. Planning at all levels should considers the impacts of land use, development, and transportation on the ecosystem.		Change to existing goal to remove climate change references (covered in Climate Change chapter) and recognize the link between the environment and a healthy economy
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MPP-En-1	MPP-En-1	Develop <u>and implement</u> regionwide environmental strategies, coordinating among local jurisdictions, <u>tribes</u> , and countywide planning groups.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-En-2	MPP-En-2	Use integrated and interdisciplinary approaches for environmental planning and assessment at regional, countywide, and local levels.	No change
MPP-En-3	MPP-En-3	Maintain and, where possible, improve air and water quality, soils, and natural systems to ensure the health and well-being of people, animals, and plants. Reduce the impacts of transportation on air and water quality, and climate change.	No change
MPP-En-4	MPP-En-4	Ensure that all residents of the region, regardless of <u>race</u> , social, or economic status, <u>have clean air, clean water, and other elements of life</u> in a healthy environment, with minimal exposure to pollution.	Equity - change updates terminology and does not condone exposure to pollution
MPP-En-5	MPP-En-5	Locate development in a manner that minimizes impacts to natural features. Promote the use of innovative environmentally sensitive development practices, including design, materials, construction, and on-going maintenance.	No change
MPP-En-6	MPP-En-6	Use the best information available at all levels of planning, especially scientific information, when establishing and implementing environmental standards established by any level of government.	No change
MPP-En-7	MPP-En-7	<u>Reduce and Mitigate noise and light pollution</u> caused by traffic transportation, industries, <u>public facilities</u> , and other sources.	Environmental Stewardship - change addresses light pollution and recognize public facilities as a source
MPP-En-8	n/a	<u>Reduce impacts to vulnerable populations and areas that have been disproportionately affected by noise, air pollution, or other environmental impacts.</u>	Equity - new policy addresses disproportionate environmental impacts
MPP-En-9	n/a	<u>Enhance urban tree canopy to support community resilience, mitigate urban heat, manage stormwater, conserve energy, improve mental and physical health, and strengthen economic prosperity.</u>	Resilience/Health/Open Space - new policy recognizes value of urban tree canopy

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MPP-En-10	n/a	<u>Support and incentivize environmental stewardship on private and public lands to protect and enhance habitat, water quality, and other ecosystem services, including protection of watersheds and wellhead areas that are sources of the region's drinking water supplies.</u>	Environmental Stewardship/Open Space - new policy implements Regional Open Space Conservation Plan recommendation regarding land stewardship; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-En-11	MPP-En-9	Designate, protect, and enhance significant open spaces, natural resources, and critical areas through mechanisms, such as the review and comment of countywide planning policies and local plans and provisions.	No change
MPP-En-12	MPP-En-8	Identify, preserve, and enhance significant regional open space networks and linkages across jurisdictional boundaries <u>through implementation and update of the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan.</u>	Open Space - change recognizes and implements the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan
MPP-En-13	MPP-En-12	Preserve and restore native vegetation and tree canopy to protect habitat, especially where it protects habitat and contributes to the overall ecological function and where invasive species are a significant threat to native ecosystems.	Open Space - change implements Regional Open Space Conservation Plan's recommendations to preserve tree canopy
MPP-En-14	MPP-En-11	Identify and protect wildlife corridors both inside and outside the urban growth area.	No change
MPP-En-15	n/a	<u>Provide parks, trails, and open space within walking distance of urban residents. Prioritize historically underserved communities for open space improvements and investments.</u>	Equity/Open Space - new policy focuses on access to open space, especially in underserved communities
MPP-En-16	MPP-En-10	Preserve and enhance habitat to <u>support healthy wildlife and accelerate the recovery of salmon, orca, and other threatened and endangered species and species of local importance</u> prevent species from inclusion on the Endangered Species List and to accelerate their removal from the list.	Puget Sound Recovery - change specifically names salmon and orca; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-En-17	MPP-En-13	Maintain <u>and restore</u> natural hydrological functions <u>and water quality</u> within the region's ecosystems and watersheds to recover the health of Puget Sound and, where feasible, restore them to a more natural state.	Puget Sound Recovery - change addresses water quality
MPP-En-18	n/a	<u>Reduce stormwater impacts from transportation and development through watershed planning, redevelopment and retrofit projects, and low-impact development.</u>	Puget Sound Recovery - new policy addresses stormwater pollution
MPP-En-19	MPP-En-15	Reduce the use of <u>toxic pesticides, and chemical fertilizers, and other products</u> to the extent feasible and identify alternatives that minimize risks to human health and the environment.	Puget Sound Recovery - change to be consistent with Puget Sound Partnership Action Agenda
MPP-En-20	MPP-En-14	Restore – where appropriate and possible – the region's freshwater and marine shorelines, watersheds, and estuaries to a natural condition for ecological function and value.	No change

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MPP-En-21	MPP-En-19	Continue efforts to reduce pollutants from transportation activities, including through the use of cleaner fuels and vehicles and increasing alternatives to driving alone, as well as design and land use.	No change
MPP-En-22	MPP-En-17	Meet all federal and state air quality standards and reduce emissions of air toxics and greenhouse gases. Maintain or do better than existing standards for carbon monoxide, ozone, and particulates.	Air Quality - change to meet regulatory requirements and reduce emissions
	MPP-En-16	Identify and address the impacts of climate change on the region's hydrological systems.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-9)
	MPP-En-18	Reduce levels for air toxics, fine particulates, and greenhouse gases.	Air Quality - Combined with MPP-En-22
	MPP-En-20	Address the central Puget Sound region's contribution to climate change by, at a minimum, committing to comply with state initiatives and directives regarding climate change and the reduction of greenhouse gases. Jurisdictions and agencies should work to include an analysis of climate change impacts when conducting an environmental review process under the State Environmental Policy Act.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-1)
	MPP-En-21	Reduce the rate of building energy use per capita, both in building use and in transportation activities.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-2)
	MPP-En-22	Pursue the development of energy management technology as part of meeting the region's energy needs.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-5)
	MPP-En-23	Reduce greenhouse gases by expanding the use of conservation and alternative energy sources and by reducing vehicle miles traveled by increasing alternatives to driving alone.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-3)
	MPP-En-24	Take positive actions to reduce carbons, such as increasing the number of trees in urban portions of the region.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-4)
	MPP-En-25	Anticipate and address the impacts of climate change on regional water sources.	Moved to Climate Change chapter (MPP-CC-8)
En-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Open Space Planning: PSRC will work with member jurisdictions, resource agencies, tribes, military installations and service branches, and interest groups to implement conservation, restoration, stewardship, and other recommendations in the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan. PSRC will review and comment on alignment with the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan during the comprehensive plan certification process. On a periodic basis, evaluate and update the plan.</u>	Regional Open Space Conservation Plan - supports implementation; GMPB amended in response to comment review

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En-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Watershed Planning Support: PSRC and the Puget Sound Partnership will coordinate to support watershed planning to inform land use, transportation, and stormwater planning and projects that improve the health of Puget Sound.</u>	Puget Sound Recovery - supports coordination with Puget Sound Partnership
En-Action-3 (Countywide/watershed)	n/a	<u>Watershed Planning: Counties and cities, together with other jurisdictions in the watershed, will continue to participate in watershed planning to integrate land use, transportation, stormwater, and related disciplines across the watershed to improve the health of Puget Sound. Include planning for culvert removal and work with tribal, federal, state, and local governments in planning, funding, and implementation to ensure the effective and efficient use of funds to restore salmon habitat.</u>	Puget Sound Recovery - supports implementation of Puget Sound Partnership Action Agenda, stormwater federal and state requirements, and Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) work; GMPB amended in response to comment review
En-Action-4 (Local)	n/a	<u>Local Open Space Planning: In the next periodic update to the comprehensive plan, counties and cities will create goals and policies that address local open space conservation and access needs as identified in the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan, prioritizing areas with higher racial and social inequities and rural and resource land facing development pressure. Counties and cities should work together to develop a long-term funding strategy and action plan to accelerate open space protection and enhancement.</u>	Regional Open Space Conservation Plan - supports local implementation; GMPB amended in response to comment review

VISION 2050 Climate Change Goal, Policies, and Actions

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Goal		<u>The region substantially reduces emissions of greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change in accordance with the goals of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (50% below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80% below 1990 levels by 2050) and prepares for climate change impacts.</u>	New goal for new chapter; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-CC-1	MPP-En-20	<u>Advance the adoption and implementation of actions that substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions in support of state, regional, and local emissions reduction goals, including targets adopted by the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency.</u> Address the central Puget Sound region's contribution to climate change by, at a minimum, committing to comply with state initiatives and directives regarding climate change and the reduction of greenhouse gases. Jurisdictions and agencies should work to include an analysis of climate change impacts when conducting an environmental review process under the State Environmental Policy Act.	Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions - change reflects current state context and support for state, regional, and local programs; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-CC-2	MPP-En-21	Reduce the rate of building energy use per capita, both in building use and in transportation activities through green building and retrofit of existing buildings.	Climate Change - change focuses on building energy use
MPP-CC-3	MPP-En-23	Reduce greenhouse gases by expanding the use of conservation and alternative energy sources, <u>electrifying the transportation system</u> , and by reducing vehicle miles traveled by increasing alternatives to driving alone.	Climate Change - change emphasizes electrification of vehicle fleet; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-CC-4	MPP-En-24	<u>Protect and restore natural resources that sequester and store carbon such as forests, farmland, wetlands, estuaries, and urban tree canopy.</u> Take positive actions to reduce carbons, such as increasing the number of trees in urban portions of the region.	Climate Change - change clarifies role of natural resources in carbon storage and sequestration
MPP-CC-5	MPP-En-22	Pursue the development of energy management technology as part of meeting the region's energy needs.	No change
MPP-CC-6	n/a	<u>Address impacts to vulnerable populations and areas that have been disproportionately affected by climate change.</u>	Equity - new policy recognizes disproportionate impacts of climate change
MPP-CC-7	n/a	<u>Advance state, regional, and local actions that support resilience and adaptation to climate change impacts.</u>	Regional coordination - new policy supports state, regional, and local actions
MPP-CC-8	MPP-En-25	<u>Increase resilience by identifying and addressing the impacts of climate change and natural hazards on regional water sources, land, infrastructure, health, and the economy. Prioritize actions to protect the most vulnerable populations.</u>	Equity/Resilience - change adds the concept of resilience and recognizes impacts to vulnerable populations
MPP-CC-9	MPP-En-16	Identify and address the impacts of climate change on the region's hydrological systems.	No change

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MPP-CC-10	n/a	<u>Address rising sea water by siting and planning for relocation of hazardous industries and essential public services away from the 500-year floodplain.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-CC-11	n/a	<u>Support achievement of regional greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals through countywide planning policies and local comprehensive plans.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-CC-12	n/a	<u>Prioritize transportation investments that support achievement of regional greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals, such as by reducing vehicle miles traveled.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
CC-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<p><u>Greenhouse Gas Strategy: PSRC will work with local governments and other key agencies and stakeholders to advance the development and implementation of the region's Greenhouse Gas Strategy, to equitably achieve meaningful reductions of emissions toward achievement of the region's greenhouse gas reduction goals. The strategy will:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>o Build on the Four-Part Strategy in the Regional Transportation Plan</u> <u>o Address emissions from transportation, land use and development, and other sources of greenhouse gases</u> <u>o Promote effective actions to reduce greenhouse gases, such as vehicle miles traveled (VMT) reduction, conversion to renewable energy systems in transportation and the built environment (e.g. electrification), and reduction in embedded carbon in new infrastructure and development</u> <u>o Explore options for PSRC to further emission reductions in the aviation sector</u> <u>o Be guided by principles of racial equity</u> <u>o Include a measurement framework to inform the evaluation of transportation investments and local comprehensive plans</u> <u>o Develop guidance and provide technical assistance to local jurisdictions to implement climate change strategies, including a guidebook of best practice policies and actions</u> <p><u>Regular evaluation and monitoring will occur, at least every four years, as part of the development of the Regional Transportation Plan, with reports to PSRC policy boards.</u></p>	Climate Change - supports implementation of the adopted Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy; GMPB amended in response to comment review

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CC-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Resilience and Climate Preparedness: PSRC will engage in regional resilience planning and climate preparedness, including development of a regional inventory of climate hazards, assistance to member organizations, and continued research and coordination with partners such as the Puget Sound Climate Preparedness Collaborative and tribes. Climate resilience actions will focus on equitable outcomes, particularly for historically marginalized communities, at greater risk and with fewer resources.</u>	Resilience - supports regional coordination in resilience planning and climate preparedness; GMPB amended in response to comment review
CC-Action-3 (Local)	n/a	<u>Policies and Actions to Address Climate Change: Cities and counties will incorporate emissions reduction policies and actions that contribute meaningfully toward regional greenhouse gas emission goals, along with equitable climate resiliency measures, in their comprehensive planning. Strategies include land uses that reduce vehicle miles traveled and promote transit, biking, and walking consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy, developing and implementing climate friendly building codes, investments in multimodal transportation choices, and steps to encourage a transition to cleaner transportation and energy systems.</u>	Climate Change - supports local policies and actions for reducing emissions; GMPB amended in response to comment review
CC-Action-4 (Local)	n/a	<u>Resilience: Cities and counties will update land use plans for climate adaptation and resilience. Critical areas will be updated based on climate impacts from sea level rise, flooding, wildfire hazards, urban heat, and other hazards. The comprehensive plans will identify mitigation measures addressing these hazards including multimodal emergency and evacuation routes and prioritizing mitigation of climate impacts on highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations.</u>	Resilience - GMPB added in response to comment review

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Goal	<p>The region will focus growth within already urbanized areas to create <u>healthy, walkable, compact, and equitable transit-oriented communities that maintain unique local character and local culture, while conserving rural areas and creating and preserving open space and natural areas. Centers will continue to be a focus of development. Rural and natural resource lands will continue to be permanent and vital parts of the region.</u></p>		<p>Change to distinguish chapter goal from the Regional Growth Strategy chapter; GMPB amended in response to comment review</p>
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MPP-DP-1	MPP-DP-35	<p>Develop high quality, compact urban communities throughout the region's urban growth area that impart a sense of place, preserve local character, provide for mixed uses and choices in housing types, and encourage walking, bicycling, and transit use.</p>	<p>No change</p>
MPP-DP-2	n/a	<p>Reduce disparities in access to opportunity for the region's residents through inclusive community planning and targeted public and private investments that meet the needs of current and future residents and businesses.</p>	<p>Equity - change addresses equitable access to opportunity for all of the region's residents; GMPB amended in response to comment review</p>
MPP-DP-3	MPP-DP-14	<p>Preserve and Enhance existing neighborhoods and create vibrant, sustainable compact urban communities that provide diverse choices in housing types, to provide a high degree of connectivity in the street network to accommodate walking, bicycling, and transit use, and sufficient public spaces.</p>	<p>Urban Design/Connectivity - change to differentiate policy from old MPP-DP-35 (new MPP-DP-1) and focus on health and walkability outside of centers</p>
MPP-DP-4	MPP-DP-15	<p>Support the transformation of key underutilized lands, such as surplus public lands or environmentally contaminated lands as brownfields and greyfields, to higher-density, mixed-use areas to complement the development of centers and the enhancement of existing neighborhoods.</p>	<p>Redevelopment - change incorporates surplus public lands and simplifies language</p>
MPP-DP-5	MPP-DP-33	<p>Identify, protect and enhance those elements and characteristics that give the central Puget Sound region its identity, especially the natural visual resources and positive urban form elements.</p>	<p>No change</p>
MPP-DP-6	MPP-DP-34	<p>Preserve significant regional historic, visual, and cultural resources, including public views, landmarks, archaeological sites, historic and cultural landscapes, and areas of special character.</p>	<p>No change</p>
MPP-DP-7	n/a	<p>Consider the potential impacts of development to culturally significant sites and tribal treaty fishing, hunting, and gathering grounds.</p>	<p>GMPB added in response to comment review</p>
MPP-DP-8	MPP-DP-36	<p>Provide a wide range of building and community types to serve the needs of a diverse population. Conduct inclusive engagement to identify and address the diverse needs of the region's residents.</p>	<p>Equity - change addresses equitable community planning and outcomes</p>

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MPP-DP-9	MPP-DP-37	Support urban design, historic preservation, and arts to enhance quality of life, <u>support local culture</u> , improve the natural and human-made environments, promote health and well-being, contribute to a prosperous economy, and increase the region’s resiliency in adapting to changes or adverse events.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-DP-10	MPP-DP-38	Design public buildings and spaces that contribute to a sense of community and a sense of place.	No change
MPP-DP-11	MPP-DP-39	Identify and create opportunities to develop parks, civic places (<u>including schools</u>) and public spaces, especially in or adjacent to centers.	No change; GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-DP-12	MPP-DP-40	Design transportation projects and other infrastructure to achieve community development objectives and improve communities.	No change
MPP-DP-13	MPP-DP-41	Allow natural boundaries to help determine the routes and placement of infrastructure connections and improvements.	No change
MPP-DP-14	MPP-DP-42	Recognize and work with linear systems that cross jurisdictional boundaries – including natural systems, continuous land use patterns, and transportation and infrastructure systems – in community planning, development, and design.	No change
MPP-DP-15	MPP-DP-43	Design communities to provide an improved <u>safe and welcoming</u> environments for walking and bicycling.	Health - change emphasizes nonmotorized comfort and safety
MPP-DP-16	MPP-DP-44	Incorporate provisions addressing <u>Address and integrate</u> health and well-being into appropriate regional, countywide, and local planning <u>practices</u> and decision-making processes.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-DP-17	MPP-DP-45	Promote cooperation and coordination among transportation providers, local government, and developers to ensure that joint- and mixed-use developments are designed to promote and improve physical, mental, and social health and reduce the impacts of climate change on the natural and built environments.	No change
MPP-DP-18	n/a	<u>Address existing health disparities and improve health outcomes in all communities.</u>	Health - new policy addresses health disparities
MPP-DP-19	MPP-DP-46	Develop and implement design guidelines to encourage construction of healthy buildings and facilities to promote healthy people.	No change
MPP-DP-20	MPP-DP-47	Support agricultural, farmland, and aquatic uses that enhance the food system in the central Puget Sound region and its capacity to produce fresh and minimally processed foods.	No change
MPP-DP-21	MPP-DP-6	Provide a regional framework for designating and evaluating regional growth centers.	No change

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MPP-DP-22	n/a	<u>Plan for densities that maximize benefits of transit investments in high-capacity transit station areas that are expected to attract significant new population or employment growth.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - new policy encourages densities to maximize major transit investments
MPP-DP-23	n/a	<u>Evaluate planning in regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas for their potential physical, economic, and cultural displacement of marginalized residents and businesses. Use a range of strategies to mitigate displacement impacts.</u>	Equity/Displacement - new policy addresses displacement in high-growth areas
MPP-DP-24	MPP-DP-9	Provide a regional framework for designating and evaluating regional manufacturing/industrial centers.	No change
MPP-DP-25	MPP-DP-11	Support the development of centers within all jurisdictions, including <u>high-capacity transit station areas and countywide and local centers, town centers and activity nodes.</u>	Growing Transit Communities/Regional Centers Framework - change updates terminology
MPP-DP-26	MPP-DP-12	Establish <u>Implement the adopted</u> a common <u>framework to designate countywide centers among the countywide processes for designating subregional centers</u> to ensure compatibility within the region.	Regional Centers Framework - change to implement adopted framework
MPP-DP-27	MPP-DP-18	Affiliate all urban unincorporated lands appropriate for annexation with an adjacent city or identify those that may be feasible for incorporation. To fulfill the Regional Growth Strategy, <u>while promoting economical administration and services</u> , annexation is preferred over incorporation.	Annexation - change acknowledges financial considerations of annexation
MPP-DP-28	MPP-DP-19	Support joint planning between cities, and counties, and service providers to work cooperatively in planning for urban unincorporated areas to ensure an orderly transition to city governance, including efforts such as: (a) establishing urban development standards, (b) addressing service and infrastructure financing, and (c) transferring permitting authority.	No initial change, GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-DP-29	n/a	<u>Support annexation and incorporation in urban unincorporated areas by planning for phased growth of communities to be economically viable, supported by the urban infrastructure, and served by public transit.</u>	Annexation/Incorporation - new policy supports planning in unincorporated urban areas
MPP-DP-30	MPP-DP-20	Support the provision and coordination of urban services to unincorporated urban areas by the adjacent city or, where appropriate, by the county <u>or an existing utility district</u> as an interim approach.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-DP-31	MPP-DP-17	Promote transit service to and from existing cities in rural areas.	No change
MPP-DP-32	MPP-DP-21	Contribute to improved ecological functions and more appropriate use of rural lands by minimizing impacts through innovative and environmentally sensitive land use management and development practices.	No change

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MPP-DP-33	MPP-DP-22	Do not allow urban net densities in rural and resource areas.	No change
MPP-DP-34	MPP-DP-23	Avoid new fully contained communities outside of the designated urban growth area because of their potential to create sprawl and undermine state and regional growth management goals.	No change
MPP-DP-35	MPP-DP-24	In the event that a proposal is made for creating a new fully contained community, the county shall make the proposal available to other counties and to the Regional Council for advance review and comment on regional impacts.	No change
MPP-DP-36	MPP-DP-25	Use existing and new tools and strategies to address vested development to ensure that future growth meets existing permitting and development standards and prevents further fragmentation of rural lands.	No change
MPP-DP-37	MPP-DP-26	Ensure that development occurring in rural areas is rural in character and is focused into communities and activity areas.	No change
MPP-DP-38	MPP-DP-27	Maintain the long-term viability of permanent rural land by avoiding the construction of new highways and major roads in rural areas.	No change
MPP-DP-39	MPP-DP-28	Support long-term solutions for the environmental and economic sustainability of agriculture and forestry within rural areas.	No change
MPP-DP-40	MPP-DP-29	Protect and enhance significant open spaces, natural resources, and critical areas.	No change
MPP-DP-41	MPP-DP-30	Establish best management practices that protect the long-term integrity of the natural environment, adjacent land uses, and the long-term productivity of resource lands.	No change
MPP-DP-42	MPP-DP-31	Support the sustainability of designated resource lands. Do not convert these lands to other uses.	No change
MPP-DP-43	MPP-DP-32	Ensure that resource lands and their related economic activities are not adversely impacted by development on adjacent non-resource lands.	No change
MPP-DP-44	MPP-DP-48	Work to conserve valuable rural and resource lands through techniques, such as conservation programs, encourage the use of innovative techniques, including the transfer of development rights, and the purchase of development rights, and conservation incentives. Use these techniques to Focus growth within the urban growth area, (especially cities), to lessen pressures to convert rural and resource areas to residential uses more intense urban-type development, while protecting the future economic viability of sending areas and sustaining rural and resource-based uses.	Rural Lands - change promotes rural conservation techniques
MPP-DP-45	n/a	Avoid growth in rural areas that cannot be sufficiently served by roads, utilities, and services at rural levels of service.	Rural Lands - new policy regarding rural levels of service

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MPP-DP-46	MPP-DP-49	Support and provide incentives to increase the percentage of new development and redevelopment – both public and private – to be built at higher performing energy and environmental standards.	No change
MPP-DP-47	MPP-DP-50	Streamline development standards and regulations for residential and commercial development <u>and public projects</u> , especially in centers <u>and high-capacity transit station areas</u> , to provide flexibility and to accommodate a broader range of project types consistent with the regional vision.	Growing Transit Communities - change includes high-capacity transit station areas; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-DP-48	MPP-DP-51	Protect the continued operation of general aviation airports from encroachment by incompatible uses and development on adjacent land.	No change
MPP-DP-49	MPP-DP-52	Protect military lands from encroachment by incompatible uses and development on adjacent land.	No change
MPP-DP-50	MPP-DP-53	Protect industrial lands <u>zoning and manufacturing/industrial centers</u> from encroachment by incompatible uses and development on adjacent land.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-DP-51	n/a	<u>Protect tribal reservation lands from encroachment by incompatible land uses and development both within reservation boundaries and on adjacent land.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-DP-52	MPP-DP-54	Develop, <u>implement, and evaluate</u> concurrency programs and methods that fully consider growth targets, service needs, and level-of-service standards. Focus level-of-service standards for transportation on the movement of people and goods instead of only on the movement of vehicles.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-DP-53	MPP-DP-55	Address nonmotorized, pedestrian, and other multimodal types of transportation options in concurrency programs – both in assessment and mitigation.	No change
MPP-DP-54	MPP-DP-56	Tailor concurrency programs for centers and other subareas to encourage development that can be supported by transit.	No change
	MPP-DP-1	Provide a regional framework for the designation and adjustment of the urban growth area to ensure long-term stability and sustainability of the urban growth area consistent with the regional vision.	Moved to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-5)
	MPP-DP-2	Encourage efficient use of urban land by maximizing the development potential of existing urban lands such as advancing development that achieves zoned density.	Moved to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-6)

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	MPP-DP-3	Use consistent countywide targeting processes for allocating population and employment growth consistent with the regional vision, including establishing: (a) local employment targets, (b) local housing targets based on population projections, and (c) local housing and employment targets for each designated regional growth center.	Moved to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-7)
	MPP-DP-4	Accommodate the region's growth first and foremost in the urban growth area. Ensure that development in rural areas is consistent with the regional vision.	Moved to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-4)
	MPP-DP-5	Focus a significant share of population and employment growth in designated regional growth centers.	Moved to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-8)
	MPP-DP-7	Give funding priority — both for transportation infrastructure and for economic development — to support designated regional growth centers consistent with the regional vision. Regional funds are prioritized to regional growth centers. County level and local funding are also appropriate to prioritize to regional growth centers.	Moved to Regional Collaboration chapter (MPP-RC-6)
	MPP-DP-8	Focus a significant share of employment growth in designated regional manufacturing/industrial centers.	Moved to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-9)
	MPP-DP-10	Give funding priority — both for transportation infrastructure and for economic development — to support designated regional manufacturing/industrial centers consistent with the regional vision. Regional funds are prioritized to regional manufacturing/industrial centers. County level and local funding are also appropriate to prioritize to these regional centers.	Moved to Regional Collaboration chapter (MPP-RC-6)
	MPP-DP-13	Direct subregional funding, especially county level and local funds, to centers designated through countywide processes, as well as to town centers, and other activity nodes.	Moved to Regional Collaboration chapter (MPP-RC-7)
	MPP-DP-16	Direct commercial, retail, and community services that serve rural residents into neighboring cities and existing activity areas to prevent the conversion of rural land into commercial uses.	Move to Regional Growth Strategy chapter (MPP-RGS-12)
DP-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Implement the Regional Centers Framework: PSRC will study and evaluate existing regional growth centers and manufacturing/industrial centers to assess their designation, distribution, interrelationships, characteristics, transportation efficiency, performance, and social equity. PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions and countywide planning bodies, will work to establish a common network of countywide centers.</u>	Regional Centers Framework - implements adopted framework

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DP-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Industrial Lands: PSRC will update its inventory of industrial lands, evaluate supply and demand for industrial land across all industry sectors, research trends for industrial uses as technology and markets evolve, and identify strategies to preserve, protect, and enhance industrial lands, jobs, and businesses in the region in coordination with jurisdictions' efforts to support their industrial land base. In 2021, PSRC will convene a working group to review policy related to preserving industrial lands and employment.</u>	Industrial Lands - supports monitoring and preservation of industrial lands; GMPB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
DP-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Transit-Oriented Development: PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, will support member jurisdiction in the implementation of the Growing Transit Communities Strategy and compact, equitable development around high-capacity transit station areas. This action will include highlighting and promoting tools used to support equitable development in high-capacity transit station areas.</u>	Growing Transit Communities Strategy - supports implementation. Executive Board amended.
DP-Action-4 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Densities in Transit Station Areas: PSRC will work in collaboration with transit agencies and local government to develop guidance for transit-supportive densities in different types of high-capacity transit station areas.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy - supports developing guidance on transit-supportive densities
DP-Action-5 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Concurrency Best Practices: PSRC will continue to develop guidance on innovative approaches to multimodal level-of-service standards and regional and local implementation strategies for local multimodal concurrency. PSRC, in coordination with member jurisdictions and WSDOT, will identify approaches in which local concurrency programs fully address growth targets, service needs, and level-of-service standards for state highways. PSRC will communicate to the Legislature the need for state highways to be addressed in local concurrency programs.</u>	Taking Stock 2016 - responds to feedback on providing additional guidance on concurrency best practices; GMPB amended in response to comment review
DP-Action-6 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Coordinated Planning in Unincorporated Urban Areas: PSRC will support communication with the state Legislature regarding necessary changes to state laws that hinder progress towards annexation and incorporation and opportunities for state and local incentives, organize forums to highlight annexation, incorporation, and joint planning best practices, and provide other resources that address the barriers to joint planning, annexation, and incorporation.</u>	Annexation - identifies actions to support annexation

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DP-Action-7 (Local)	n/a	<u>Identification and Clean-up of Underused Lands: Local governments, in cooperation with state and/or federal regulatory agencies, will develop strategies for cleaning up brownfield and contaminated sites. Local jurisdictions should identify underused lands (such as environmentally contaminated land and surplus public lands) for future redevelopment or reuse.</u>	Redevelopment - supports coordination for clean-up and redevelopment of surplus and contaminated land; GMPB amended in response to comment review
DP-Action-8 (Local)	n/a	<u>Center Plans and Station Area Plans: Each city or county with a designated regional center and/or light rail transit station area will develop a subarea plan for the designated regional growth center, station area(s), and/or manufacturing/industrial center. Cities and counties will plan for other forms of high-capacity transit stations, such as bus rapid transit and commuter rail, and countywide and local centers, through local comprehensive plans, subarea plans, neighborhood plans, or other planning tools. Jurisdictions may consider grouping station areas that are located in close proximity.</u>	Centers Framework/Growing Transit Communities - supports local planning for regional centers and high-capacity transit station areas
DP-Action-9 (Local)	n/a	<u>Mode Split Goals for Centers: Each city with a designated regional growth center and/or manufacturing/industrial center will establish mode split goals for these centers and identify strategies to encourage transportation demand management and alternatives to driving alone.</u>	Regional Centers Framework - supports adopting mode split goals in local plans

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Goal		The region will <u>preserves, improves, and expands</u> its housing stock to provide a range of affordable, healthy, and safe housing choices to every resident. The region will <u>continues</u> to promote fair and equal access to housing for all people.	Minor change
MPP-H-1	n/a	<u>Plan for housing supply, forms and densities to meet the region's current and projected needs consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy and to make significant progress towards jobs/housing balance.</u>	Housing Supply - new policy recognizes housing as a regional issue and acknowledges need for supply consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-H-2	MPP-H-1	Provide a range of housing types and choices to meet the housing needs of all income levels and demographic groups within the region.	No change
MPP-H-3	MPP-H-2	Achieve and sustain – through preservation, rehabilitation, and new development – a sufficient supply of housing to meet the needs of low-income, moderate-income, middle-income, and special needs individuals and households that is equitably and rationally distributed throughout the region.	No change
MPP-H-4	n/a	<u>Address the need for housing affordable to low- and very low-income households, recognizing that these critical needs will require significant public intervention through funding, collaboration and jurisdictional action.</u>	Housing Need - new policy acknowledges the need for greater public intervention to provide housing affordable to very low-income residents
MPP-H-5	MPP-H-3	Promote homeownership opportunities for low-income, moderate-income, and middle-income families and individuals <u>while recognizing historic inequities in access to homeownership opportunities for communities of color.</u>	Equity - change acknowledges historic inequities in access to homeownership
MPP-H-6	MPP-H-4	Develop and provide a range of housing choices for workers at all income levels throughout the region in a manner that promotes accessibility to jobs and provides opportunities to live in proximity to work <u>that is accessible to job centers and attainable to workers at anticipated wages.</u>	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-H-7	MPP-H-5	Expand the supply and range of housing <u>at densities to maximize the benefits of transit investments</u> , including affordable units, in <u>growth centers and station areas</u> throughout the region.	Regional Growth Strategy/Growing Transit Communities - change supports housing and transit planning
MPP-H-8	n/a	<u>Promote the development and preservation of long-term affordable housing options in walking distance to transit by implementing zoning, regulations, and incentives.</u>	Regional Growth Strategy/Growing Transit Communities - new policy promotes affordable housing near transit

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MPP-H-9	MPP-H-8	<u>Expand housing capacity for moderate density housing to bridge the gap between single-family and more intensive multifamily development and provide opportunities for more affordable ownership and rental housing that allows more people to live in neighborhoods across the region. Encourage the use of innovative techniques to provide a broader range of housing types for all income levels and housing needs.</u>	Moderate Density Housing - change promotes middle density housing and removes ambiguous terminology ("innovative techniques")
MPP-H-10	MPP-H-7	Encourage jurisdictions to review and streamline development standards and regulations to advance their public benefit, provide flexibility, and minimize additional costs to housing.	No change
MPP-H-11	MPP-H-9	Encourage interjurisdictional cooperative efforts and public-private partnerships to advance the provision of affordable and special needs housing.	No change
MPP-H-12	n/a	<u>Identify potential physical, economic, and cultural displacement of low-income households and marginalized populations that may result from planning, public investments, private redevelopment and market pressure. Use a range of strategies to mitigate displacement impacts to the extent feasible.</u>	Equity/Displacement - new policy addresses displacement risk; GMPB amended in response to comment review
	MPP-H-6	Recognize and give regional funding priority to transportation facilities, infrastructure, and services that explicitly advance the development of housing in designated regional growth centers. Give additional priority to projects and services that advance affordable housing.	Moved to Regional Collaboration Chapter (MPP-RC-8)

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H-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<p><u>Regional Housing Strategy: PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, state agencies, housing interest groups, housing professionals, advocacy and community groups, and other stakeholders will develop a comprehensive regional housing strategy to support the 2024 local comprehensive plan update. The housing strategy will provide the framework for regional housing assistance (see H-Action-2, below) and shall include the following components:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>o In the near term, a regional housing needs assessment to identify current and future housing needs to support the regional vision and to make significant progress towards jobs/housing balance and quantify the need for affordable housing that will eliminate cost burden and racial disproportionality in cost burden for all economic segments of the population, including those earning at or below 80 percent of Area Median Income throughout the region. This will provide necessary structure and focus to regional affordable housing discussions</u> <u>o Strategies and best practices to promote and accelerate: increased housing supply, the preservation and expansion of market rate and subsidized affordable housing, housing in centers and in proximity to transit, jobs-housing balance, and the development of moderate density housing options</u> <u>o Coordination with other regional and local housing efforts</u> 	<p>Regional Housing Strategy - calls for regional data collection and strategy development to support local plan updates and other local housing efforts; GMPB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.</p>
H-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<p><u>Regional Housing Assistance: PSRC, in coordination with subregional, county, and local housing efforts, will assist implementation of regional housing policy and local jurisdiction and agency work. Assistance shall include the following components:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>o Guidance for developing local housing targets (including affordable housing targets), model housing policies, and best housing practices</u> <u>o Technical assistance, including new and strengthened tools, to support local jurisdictions in developing effective housing strategies, action plans, and programs</u> <u>o Collection and analysis of regional housing data, including types and uses of housing and effectiveness of zoning, regulations, and incentives to achieve desired outcomes</u> <u>o Technical assistance in support of effective local actions to address displacement, including data on displacement risk and a toolbox of local policies and actions</u> 	<p>Technical Assistance - supports local housing efforts; GMPB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended</p>

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H-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<u>State Support and Coordination: PSRC will monitor and support as appropriate members' efforts to seek new funding and legislative support for housing; and will coordinate with state agencies to implement regional housing policy.</u>	Outreach/State Coordination - supports members' efforts in seeking state resources
H-Action-4 (Local)	n/a	<u>Local Housing Needs: Counties and cities will conduct a housing needs analysis and evaluate the effectiveness of local housing policies and strategies to achieve housing targets and affordability goals to support updates to local comprehensive plans. Analysis of housing opportunities with access to jobs and transportation options will aid review of total household costs.</u>	Local Data and Monitoring - encourages local data collection to support housing efforts
H-Action-5 (Local)	n/a	<u>Affordable Housing Incentives: As counties and cities plan for and create additional housing capacity consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy, evaluate and adopt techniques such as inclusionary or incentive zoning to provide affordability.</u>	Local Tools - encourages local governments to promote affordable housing in areas planning for growth using a variety of techniques. Executive Board amended.
H-Action-6 (Local)	n/a	<u>Displacement: Metropolitan Cities, Core Cities, and High Capacity Transit Communities will develop and implement strategies to address displacement in conjunction with the populations identified of being at risk of displacement including residents and neighborhood-based small business owners.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
H-Action-7 (Local)	n/a	<u>Housing Choice: Counties and cities will update regulations and strategies to reduce barriers to the development and preservation of moderate density housing to address the need for housing between single-family and more intensive multifamily development, consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy.</u>	Executive Board added
H-Action-8 (Local)	n/a	<u>Housing Production: Counties and cities will review and amend, where appropriate and consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy, development standards and regulations to reduce barriers to the development of housing by providing flexibility and minimizing additional costs.</u>	Executive Board added

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Goal		The region will have <u>has</u> a prospering and sustainable regional economy by supporting businesses and job creation, investing in all people <u>and their health</u> , sustaining environmental quality, and creating great central places, diverse communities, and high quality of life.	Minor change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-Ec-1	MPP-Ec-1	Support economic development activities that help to <u>recruit</u> , retain, expand, or diversify the region's businesses, targeted <u>Target</u> recruitment activities towards businesses that provide <u>family living-wage</u> jobs.	Business - change to update terminology
MPP-Ec-2	MPP-Ec-2	Foster a positive business climate by encouraging regionwide and statewide collaboration among business, government, <u>utilities</u> , education, labor, military, workforce development, and other nonprofit organizations.	Business - change to include utilities
MPP-Ec-3	MPP-Ec-3	Support established and emerging <u>efforts to retain and expand</u> industry clusters that export manufacture <u>goods and provide services for export</u> , increasing capital in the region, and import capital, and have growth potential.	Business - minor change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-Ec-4	MPP-Ec-4	Leverage the region's position as an international gateway by supporting businesses, <u>airports, seaports</u> , and agencies involved in trade-related activities.	Trade - change distinguishes between airports and seaports
MPP-Ec-5	n/a	<u>Recognize the region's airports as critical economic assets that support the region's businesses, commercial aviation activities, aerospace manufacturing, general aviation, and military missions.</u>	Aviation - new policy supports focus areas in the Regional Economy Strategy
MPP-Ec-6	MPP-Ec-6	Ensure the efficient flow of people, goods, services, and information in and through the region with infrastructure investments, particularly in and connecting designated centers, to meet the distinctive needs of the regional economy.	Business - minor change
MPP-Ec-7	MPP-Ec-5	Foster a supportive environment for business startups, small businesses, and locally owned, and women- and minority-owned businesses to help them continue to prosper.	Business - change updates terminology
MPP-Ec-8	MPP-Ec-7	Encourage the private, public, and nonprofit sectors to incorporate environmental and social responsibility into their practices.	No change
MPP-Ec-9	MPP-Ec-8	Promote economic activity and employment growth that creates widely shared prosperity and sustains a diversity of <u>family living-wage</u> jobs for the region's residents.	Employment - change updates terminology
MPP-Ec-10	MPP-Ec-9	Ensure that the region has a high quality education system that is accessible to all of the region's residents.	No change

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MPP-Ec-11	MPP-Ec-10	Ensure that the region has high quality and accessible training programs that give people opportunities to learn, maintain, and upgrade skills necessary to meet the current and forecast needs of the regional and global economy.	No change
MPP-Ec-12	n/a	<u>Identify potential physical, economic, and cultural displacement of existing businesses that may result from redevelopment and market pressure. Use a range of strategies to mitigate displacement impacts to the extent feasible.</u>	Equity/Displacement - new policy addresses the risk of business displacement
MPP-Ec-13	MPP-Ec-11	Address unique obstacles and special needs—as well as recognize the special assets—of disadvantaged populations in improving the region's shared economic future. <u>Promote equity and access to opportunity in economic development policies and programs. Expand employment opportunity to improve the region's shared economic future.</u>	Equity - change seeks to expand access to economic opportunity
MPP-Ec-14	MPP-Ec-12	Foster appropriate and targeted economic growth in distressed <u>with low and very low access to opportunity to improve access to create economic</u> opportunity for <u>current and future</u> residents of these areas.	Equity - change updates terminology to connect to opportunity mapping
MPP-Ec-15	MPP-Ec-13	Support <u>and recognize</u> the contributions of the region's culturally and ethnically diverse communities <u>and Native Tribes, including in</u> helping the region continue to expand its international economy.	Equity - change to specifically include tribes
MPP-Ec-16	MPP-Ec-15	Ensure that economic development sustains and respects the region's environmental quality <u>environment and encourages development of established and emerging industries, technologies, and services, that promote environmental sustainability, especially those addressing climate change and resilience.</u>	Green Economy - change promotes industries focused on environmental sustainability
MPP-Ec-17	MPP-Ec-16	Utilize urban design strategies and approaches to ensure that changes to the built environment preserve and enhance the region's unique attributes and each community's distinctive identity in recognition of the economic value of sense of place. <u>Preserve and enhance the region's unique attributes and each community's distinctive identity and design as economic assets as the region grows.</u>	Urban Design - change recognizes unique community character as economic assets
MPP-Ec-18	MPP-Ec-17	Use incentives and investments to create a closer balance between jobs and housing, consistent with the regional growth strategy. <u>Develop and provide a range of job opportunities throughout the region to create a much closer balance and match between jobs and housing.</u>	Regional Economic Strategy - change focuses on jobs-housing balance; GMPB amended in response to comment review

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MPP-Ec-19	MPP-Ec-21	Recognize the need for employment creation in cities in the rural areas at a size, scale, and type compatible with these communities, and promote compatible occupations (such as, but not limited to, tourism, cottage and home-based businesses, and local services) that do not conflict with rural character and resource-based land uses.	Rural Economic Development - change supports appropriately-scaled employment growth in cities surrounded by rural areas
MPP-Ec-20	MPP-Ec-14	Sustain and enhance arts and cultural institutions to foster an active and vibrant community life in every part of the region.	No change
MPP-Ec-21	MPP-Ec-18	Concentrate a significant amount of economic growth in designated centers and connect them to each other in order to strengthen the region's economy and communities and to promote economic opportunity.	No change
MPP-Ec-22	MPP-Ec-19	Maximize the use of existing designated manufacturing and industrial centers by focusing appropriate types and amounts of employment growth in these areas and by protecting them from incompatible adjacent uses.	No change
MPP-Ec-23	MPP-Ec-22	Support economic activity in rural and natural resource areas at a size and scale that is compatible with the long-term integrity and productivity of these lands.	No change
	MPP-Ec-20	Provide an adequate supply of housing with good access to employment centers to support job creation and economic growth.	Addressed in Housing chapter policies
Ec-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Regional Economic Strategy: PSRC and the Economic Development District will coordinate economic development efforts to strengthen the region's industries, economic foundations and implement the Regional Economic Strategy. Update the Regional Economic Strategy periodically.</u>	Regional Economic Strategy - supports implementation
Ec-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Regional Support for Local Government Economic Development Planning: PSRC will support county and local jurisdictions through technical assistance and economic data with special emphasis on smaller jurisdictions, in their efforts to develop economic development elements as part of their expected 2024 comprehensive plan updates to support the Regional Growth Strategy. PSRC will also provide guidance on local planning to address commercial displacement.</u>	Regional Economic Strategy - supports local economic development planning; GMPB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
Ec-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Regional Economic Data: PSRC and the Economic Development District, in collaboration with county economic development councils and other partners, will maintain regional economic data and develop regionwide and subarea forecasts.</u>	Regional Economic Strategy - supports data collection and forecasting

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Ec-Action-4 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Job Growth Distribution: Identify regional roles in achieving the desired allocation of new jobs as reflected in the Regional Growth Strategy.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
Ec-Action-5 (Local)	n/a	<u>Economic Development Elements: Cities and counties will update (or adopt) their economic development element – tailored to meet the jurisdiction's unique needs and leveraging public investments – as specified in the Growth Management Act, when conducting the expected 2024 comprehensive plan update.</u>	Local Plans - consistent with VISION 2040, continues to support including economic development elements in local plans. Executive Board amended.

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Goal		The region will have <u>has a safe, cleaner, integrated, sustainable, equitable, affordable, safe and highly efficient multimodal transportation system, with specific emphasis on an integrated regional transit network</u> that supports the regional growth strategy and promotes <u>vitality of the economy, environment and health</u> economic and environmental vitality, and better public health.	Minor change to recognize regional transit network and streamline wording
MPP-T-1	MPP-T-1	Maintain and operate transportation systems to provide safe, efficient, and reliable movement of people, goods, and services.	No change
MPP-T-2	MPP-T-2	Protect the investment in the existing system and lower overall life-cycle costs through effective maintenance and preservation programs.	No change
MPP-T-3	MPP-T-3	Reduce the need for new capital improvements through investments in operations, pricing programs, demand management strategies, and system management activities that improve the efficiency of the current system.	No change
MPP-T-4	MPP-T-4	Improve <u>the</u> safety of the transportation system and, in the long term, achieve the state's goal of zero deaths and <u>serious disabling</u> injuries.	Safety - change modernizes terminology
MPP-T-5	MPP-T-7	Develop a transportation system that minimizes negative impacts to <u>and promotes</u> , human health.	Health - change promotes health
MPP-T-6	MPP-T-33	Promote <u>Pursue alternative</u> transportation financing methods, such as user fees, tolls, and <u>other pricing mechanisms to manage and fund the,</u> that sustain maintenance, <u>improvement,</u> preservation, and operation of <u>the transportation system</u> facilities and reflect the costs imposed by users.	Financial Strategy - change updates terminology
MPP-T-7	MPP-T-9	Fund, complete, and operate the highly efficient, multimodal system in the Regional Transportation Plan to support the Regional Growth Strategy. Coordinate WSDOT, regional, and local transportation agencies, in collaboration with the state legislature, to build the multimodal system. Coordinate state, regional, and local planning efforts for transportation through the Puget Sound Regional Council to develop and operate a highly efficient, multimodal system that supports the Regional Growth Strategy.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-T-8	MPP-T-26	Strategically expand capacity and increase efficiency of the transportation system to move goods, services, and people <u>consistent with the Regional Growth Strategy to and within the urban growth area.</u> Focus on investments that produce the greatest net benefits to people and minimize the environmental impacts of transportation.	Regional Growth Strategy - change clarifies support for Regional Growth Strategy

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MPP-T-9	MPP-T-22	Implement transportation programs and projects that provide access to opportunities while preventing or mitigating in ways that prevent or minimize negative impacts to <u>people of color, people with low-income, minority, and people with special transportation needs populations.</u>	Equity - change addresses access to opportunities, rather than only preventing or minimizing negative impacts
MPP-T-10	MPP-T-25	Ensure mobility choices for people with special transportation needs, including persons with disabilities, seniors the elderly, youth the young, and people with low-incomes populations.	Equity - change modernizes terminology
MPP-T-11	MPP-T-14	Design, construct, and operate <u>a safe and convenient transportation system for all users</u> transportation facilities to serve all users safely and conveniently, including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users, while accommodating the movement of freight and goods, using best practices and context sensitive design strategies as suitable to each facility's function and context as determined by the appropriate jurisdictions.	Safety - change modernizes terminology
MPP-T-12	MPP-T-23	Emphasize transportation investments that provide and encourage alternatives to single-occupancy vehicle travel and increase travel options, especially to and within centers and along corridors connecting centers.	No change
MPP-T-13	MPP-T-24	Increase the proportion of trips made by transportation modes that are alternatives to driving alone, <u>especially to and within centers and along corridors connecting centers, by ensuring availability of reliable and competitive transit options.</u>	Multimodal - change emphasizes connecting centers and transit quality
MPP-T-14	MPP-T-32	Integrate transportation systems to make it easy for people and freight to move from one mode or technology to another.	No change
MPP-T-15	MPP-T-11	Prioritize investments in transportation facilities and services in the urban growth area that support compact, pedestrian- and transit-oriented densities and development.	No change
MPP-T-16	MPP-T-15	Improve local street patterns – including their design and how they are used – for walking, bicycling, and transit use to enhance communities, connectivity, and physical activity.	No change
MPP-T-17	MPP-T-16	Promote and incorporate bicycle and pedestrian travel as important modes of transportation by providing facilities and <u>navigable</u> reliable connections.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-T-18	MPP-T-10	Promote coordination among transportation providers and local governments to ensure that joint- and mixed-use developments are designed in a way that improves overall mobility and accessibility to and within such development.	No change

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MPP-T-19	MPP-T-21	Apply urban design principles <u>Design</u> in transportation programs and projects for to support local and regional growth centers and high-capacity transit station areas.	Urban Design - change promotes urban design in centers and transit station areas; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-T-20	MPP-T-29	Promote the preservation of existing rights-of-way for future high-capacity transit.	No change
MPP-T-21	MPP-T-20	Design transportation facilities to fit within the context of the built or natural environments in which they are located.	No change
MPP-T-22	MPP-T-28	Avoid construction of major roads and capacity expansion on existing roads in rural and resource areas. Where increased roadway capacity is warranted to support safe and efficient travel through rural areas, appropriate rural development regulations and strong commitments to access management should be in place prior to authorizing such capacity expansion in order to prevent unplanned growth in rural areas.	No change
MPP-T-23	MPP-T-13	Make transportation investments that improve economic and living conditions so that industries and skilled workers continue to be retained and attracted to the region.	No change
MPP-T-24	MPP-T-27	Improve key facilities connecting the region to national and world markets to support the economic vitality of the region.	No change
MPP-T-25	MPP-T-17	Ensure the freight system <u>supports the growing needs of global trade and state, regional and local distribution of goods and services. meets the needs of: (1) global gateways, (2) producer needs within the state and region, and (3) regional and local distribution.</u>	Freight - change modernizes language
MPP-T-26	MPP-T-18	Maintain and improve the existing multimodal freight transportation system in the region to increase reliability, and efficiency, and mobility, <u>and prepare for continuing growth in freight and goods movement, and to prevent degradation of freight mobility.</u>	Freight - change recognizes growth in freight movement
MPP-T-27	MPP-T-19	Coordinate regional planning with <u>railroad line</u> capacity expansion plans and support capacity expansion that is compatible with state, regional, and local plans.	Freight - change modernizes language

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MPP-T-28	MPP-T-31	<u>Promote coordinated planning and effective management to optimize the region's aviation system in a manner that minimizes health, air quality, and noise impacts to communities, including historically marginalized communities. Consider demand management alternatives as future growth needs are analyzed, recognizing capacity constraints at existing facilities and the time and resources necessary to build new ones. Support the ongoing process of development of a new commercial aviation facility in Washington State. Support effective management of existing air transportation capacity and ensure that future capacity needs are addressed in cooperation with responsible agencies, affected communities, and users.</u>	Aviation - change clarifies policy intent and ensures consistency with adopted 2018 Regional Transportation Plan; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-T-29	MPP-T-5	<u>Support the transition to a cleaner transportation system through investments in zero emission vehicles, low carbon fuels and other clean energy options. Foster a less polluting system that reduces the negative effects of transportation infrastructure and operation on the climate and natural environment.</u>	Climate Change - change reflects current work on reducing emissions
MPP-T-30	n/a	<u>Provide infrastructure sufficient to support widespread electrification of the transportation system.</u>	Climate Change - new policy supports infrastructure needed for electrification
MPP-T-31	MPP-T-8	<u>Advance the resilience of the transportation system by incorporating redundancies, preparing for disasters and other impacts, and coordinated planning for system recovery. Protect the transportation system against disaster, develop prevention and recovery strategies, and plan for coordinated responses.</u>	Resilience - change supports a resilient transportation system
MPP-T-32	n/a	<u>Reduce stormwater pollution from transportation facilities and improve fish passage, through retrofits and updated design standards. Where feasible, integrate with other improvements to achieve multiple benefits and cost efficiencies.</u>	Environment - new policy addresses stormwater pollution from transportation facilities
MPP-T-33	MPP-T-6	<u>Prepare for changes in transportation technologies and mobility patterns, to support communities with a sustainable and efficient transportation system. Seek the development and implementation of transportation modes and technologies that are energy efficient and improve system performance.</u>	Technology - change addresses changes in transportation technology
MPP-T-34	MPP-T-30	<u>Be responsive to changes in mobility patterns and needs for both people and goods, and encourage partnerships with the private sector, where applicable. Encourage public and private sector partnerships to identify and implement improvements to personal mobility and freight movement.</u>	Technology - change updates role of public-private partnerships as a means to respond to change

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	MPP-T-12	Give regional funding priority to transportation improvements that serve regional growth centers and regional manufacturing and industrial centers.	Moved to Regional Collaboration chapter (MPP-RC-6)
T-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Regional Transportation Plan: PSRC will update the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) to be consistent with federal and state requirements and the goals and policies of VISION 2050. The RTP will incorporate the Regional Growth Strategy and plan for a sustainable multimodal transportation system for 2050. The plan will identify how the system will be maintained and efficiently operated, with strategic capacity investments, to provide safe and equitable access to housing, jobs, and other opportunities, as well as improved mobility for freight and goods delivery. Specific elements of the RTP include the Coordinated Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan and continued updates to the regional integrated transit network (including high capacity transit, local transit, auto and passenger ferries), the active transportation plan, regional freight network, aviation planning and other important system components.</u>	Regional Transportation Plan - supports implementation
T-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Funding: PSRC, together with its member jurisdictions, will advocate for new funding tools to address the gap in local funding identified in the Regional Transportation Plan.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
T-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Transportation Technology and Changing Mobility: PSRC will continue to conduct research and analysis on the potential impacts from emerging technologies and changes in mobility patterns, including ongoing improvements to PSRC modeling and analytical tools. PSRC will build relationships among a diverse set of stakeholders and facilitate discussions to assist member organizations to become prepared for these changes in transportation mobility and to address consequences to and from local decision making. Outcomes could include guidance, best practices and future policies.</u>	Technology - continues research, analysis, and guidance work on transportation technology and changing mobility
T-Action-4 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Electric Vehicles: PSRC will work with partner agencies on regional collaboration to support electric vehicles and associated infrastructure issues. PSRC will engage with partners on distribution of best practices for local governments.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
T-Action-5 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Changing Technology: PSRC will conduct research and analysis on the potential impacts from emerging technologies which impact housing, land use, job distribution, or other applicable topics. PSRC will serve as a resource to assist local jurisdictions in preparing for these changes.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review

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T-Action-6 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Freight Mobility: PSRC will continue to conduct research, data collection and analysis of the growth and impacts of freight and goods movement and delivery, including updating baseline inventories and identification of mobility and other issues. PSRC will continue collaboration with stakeholders to address key freight issues as part of the next RTP update.</u>	Freight - continues research, analysis, and collaboration needs for freight
T-Action-7 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Climate: PSRC will continue to monitor and advance the implementation of the adopted Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy - or future versions thereof - to achieve meaningful reductions of emissions throughout the region from transportation and land use. This will include ongoing collaboration with a variety of partners on each element, for example regional coordination on electric vehicle infrastructure, roadway pricing, transit oriented development and others. This will also include continued development of regional analyses and research of additional options for reducing emissions.</u>	Climate Change - implements Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy (part of Regional Transportation Plan)
T-Action-8 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Aviation Capacity: PSRC will continue to conduct research and analysis of the region's aviation system to assess future capacity needs, issues, challenges, and community impacts to help ensure that the system can accommodate future growth while minimizing community impacts, including historically marginalized communities, and set the stage for future planning efforts. PSRC will work in cooperation with the state, which will play a lead role in addressing future aviation capacity needs.</u>	Aviation - reflects PSRC work to analyze the regional aviation system; GMPB amended in response to comment review
T-Action-9 (Local)	n/a	<u>VISION 2050 Implementation: Counties and cities, with guidance and assistance from PSRC, will update local plans to support implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan and address the Regional Growth Strategy, including addressing changes related to technology, freight and delivery, and the needs of all users.</u>	Local Plans - supports local implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan and VISION 2050

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Goal		The region will support development with adequate public facilities and services in a <u>timely</u> , coordinated, efficient, and cost-effective manner that supports local and regional growth planning objectives.	Minor change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-PS-1	MPP-PS-1	Protect and enhance the environment and public health and safety when providing services and facilities.	No change
MPP-PS-2	n/a	<u>Promote affordability and equitable access of public services to all communities, especially the historically underserved. Prioritize investments to address disparities.</u>	Equity - new policy promotes affordability and equity in public services; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-PS-3	MPP-PS-2	Time and phase services and facilities to guide growth and development in a manner that supports the <u>Regional Growth Strategy vision</u> .	Regional Growth Strategy - change to clarify relationship to Regional Growth Strategy
MPP-PS-4	MPP-PS-3	Promote demand management and the conservation of services and facilities prior to developing new facilities.	No change
MPP-PS-5	MPP-PS-4	Do not provide urban services in rural areas. Design services for limited access when they are needed to solve isolated health and sanitation problems, so as not to increase the development potential of the surrounding rural area.	No change
MPP-PS-6	MPP-PS-5	Encourage the design of public facilities and utilities in rural areas to be at a size and scale appropriate to rural locations, so as not to increase development pressure.	No change
MPP-PS-7	MPP-PS-6	Obtain urban services from cities or appropriate regional service providers, and encourage special service districts, including sewer, water, and fire districts, to consolidate or dissolve as a result. <u>Encourage cities, counties, and special purpose districts, including sewer, water, and fire districts, to coordinate planning efforts, agree on optimal ways to provide efficient service, and support consolidations that would improve service to the public.</u>	Urban Services/Coordination - change clarifies necessary between cities, counties, and special service districts; GPMB amended in response to comment review. Executive Board amended.
MPP-PS-8	MPP-PS-7	Develop conservation measures to reduce solid waste and increase recycling.	No change
MPP-PS-9	MPP-PS-8	Promote improved conservation and more efficient use of water, as well as the increased use of reclaimed water, to reduce wastewater generation and ensure water availability.	No change
MPP-PS-10	MPP-PS-9	Serve new development within the urban growth area with sanitary sewer systems or fit it with dry sewers in anticipation of connection to the sewer system. Alternative technology to sewers should be considered only when it can be shown to produce treatment at standards that are equal to or better than the sewer system and where a long-term maintenance plan is in place.	No change

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MPP-PS-11	MPP-PS-10	Replace failing septic systems within the urban growth area with sanitary sewers or alternative technology that is comparable or better.	No change
MPP-PS-12	MPP-PS-11	Use innovative and state-of-the-art design and techniques when replacing septic tanks to restore and improve environmental quality.	No change
MPP-PS-13	MPP-PS-12	Promote the use of renewable energy resources to meet the region's energy needs.	No change
MPP-PS-14	MPP-PS-13	Reduce the rate of energy consumption through conservation and alternative energy forms to extend the life of existing facilities and infrastructure.	No change
MPP-PS-15	n/a	<u>Support the necessary investments in utility infrastructure to facilitate moving to low-carbon energy sources.</u>	Climate Change - new policy supports electrification aspect of the Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy (part of the Regional Transportation Plan)
MPP-PS-16	MPP-PS-14	Plan for the provision of telecommunication infrastructure to <u>provide access to residents and businesses in all communities, especially underserved areas.</u> , serve growth and development in a manner that is consistent with the regional vision and friendly to the environment.	Equity - change focuses on serving all communities
MPP-PS-17	MPP-PS-15	Coordinate, design, and plan for public safety services and programs, <u>including emergency management. These efforts may be interjurisdictional.</u>	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-PS-18	MPP-PS-16	<u>Locate community facilities and health and human services in centers and near transit facilities for all to access services conveniently.</u> Encourage health and human services facilities to locate near centers and transit for efficient accessibility to service delivery.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-PS-19	n/a	<u>Support efforts to increase the resilience of public services, utilities, and infrastructure by preparing for disasters and other impacts and coordinated planning for system recovery.</u>	Resilience - new policy addresses resilience of public services and facilities
MPP-PS-20	n/a	<u>Consider climate change, economic, and health impacts when siting and building essential public services and facilities.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
MPP-PS-21	MPP-PS-17	Identify and develop additional water supply sources to meet the region's long-term water needs, recognizing <u>Consider the potential impacts on water supply from</u> of climate change and fisheries protection on the region's water supply.	Climate Change - change focuses on managing climate impacts, recognizing that few new water supply sources are available
MPP-PS-22	n/a	<u>Provide residents of the region with access to high quality drinking water that meets or is better than federal and state requirements.</u>	Water Quality - new policy addresses access to quality drinking water

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MPP-PS-23	MPP-PS-18	Promote coordination among local and tribal governments and water providers and suppliers to meet long-term water needs in the region in a manner that supports the region's growth strategy.	No change
MPP-PS-24	MPP-PS-19	Reduce the per capita rate of water consumption through conservation, efficiency, reclamation, and reuse.	No change
MPP-PS-25	MPP-PS-20	Protect the source of the water supply to meet the needs for both human consumption and for environmental balance.	No change
MPP-PS-26	n/a	<u>Work cooperatively with school districts to plan for school facilities to meet the existing and future community needs consistent with adopted comprehensive plans and growth forecasts, including siting and designing schools to support safe, walkable access and best serve their communities.</u>	School Siting - new policy supports collaborative efforts between school districts and local governments
MPP-PS-27	MPP-PS-21	Site schools, institutions, and other community facilities that primarily serve urban populations within the urban growth area in locations where they will promote the local desired growth plans, <u>except as provided for by RCW 36.70A.211.</u>	School Siting - change addresses Growth Management Act amendment related to school siting that allows for schools serving both urban and rural populations in Pierce County to be sited outside the urban growth area
MPP-PS-28	MPP-PS-22	Locate schools, institutions, and other community facilities serving rural residents in neighboring cities and towns and design these facilities in keeping with the size and scale of the local community, <u>except as provided for by RCW 36.70A.211.</u>	School Siting - change addresses recent changes to the Growth Management Act related to school siting that allows for schools serving both urban and rural populations in Pierce County to be sited outside GMA boundaries
MPP-PS-29	MPP-PS-23	Site or expand regional capital facilities in a manner that (1) reduces adverse social, environmental, and economic impacts on the host community, <u>especially on historically marginalized communities</u> , (2) equitably balances the location of new facilities <u>away from disproportionately burdened communities</u> , and (3) addresses regional planning objectives.	No initial change; GMPB amended in response to comment review
MPP-PS-30	MPP-PS-24	Do not locate regional capital facilities outside the urban growth area unless it is demonstrated that a non-urban site is the most appropriate location for such a facility.	No change
PS-Action-1 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Utility and Service District Planning: PSRC will work with electrical utilities, water providers, special purpose districts, and other utilities to facilitate coordinated efforts to develop long-range plans that comply with the Growth Management Act and implement VISION 2050.</u>	Coordination - encourages special purpose district long-range plans to be consistent with the Growth Management Act and VISION 2050. Executive Board amended.

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PS-Action-2 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Facilities Siting and Design: PSRC will facilitate cooperative efforts with special purpose districts and local jurisdictions to site and design facilities that enhance local communities in accordance with growth management goals and VISION 2050.</u>	Siting and Design/Coordination - encourages special purpose districts and local jurisdictions to coordinate when siting and designing facilities and maintain consistency with the Growth Management Act
PS-Action-3 (Regional)	n/a	<u>School Siting: PSRC will initiate and support discussions with the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to facilitate updates that modernize school siting standards, especially those related to site area requirements. Updates should work to align school siting standards with the goals of the Growth Management Act and facilitate school districts' ability to better meet urban capacity needs.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review
PS-Action-4 (Regional)	n/a	<u>Regional Support for School Siting Best Practices: PSRC will research and develop guidance on innovative methods to update regulations and local plans to develop a regional approach to school siting and to assist local jurisdictions and school districts in siting new schools in urbanized areas.</u>	GMPB added in response to comment review