



# *Welcome!*

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We will begin with some poll questions.



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# Passport to 2044: Transportation

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## Passport to 2044 Series

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# Program

- 10:00** Welcoming Remarks and Introduction
- 10:05** Plan Review & Requirements Under GMA
- 10:15** Regional Policy Direction in VISION 2050 & the Regional Transportation Plan
- 10:25** Planning for Projects
- 11:10** Planning for Transit
- 12:00** Conclude





# Logistics

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- The recording for today's meeting and all presentations will be shared after the meeting
- Have a question? Ask in the "Q&A"
- Title VI poll will launch at the end of the webinar

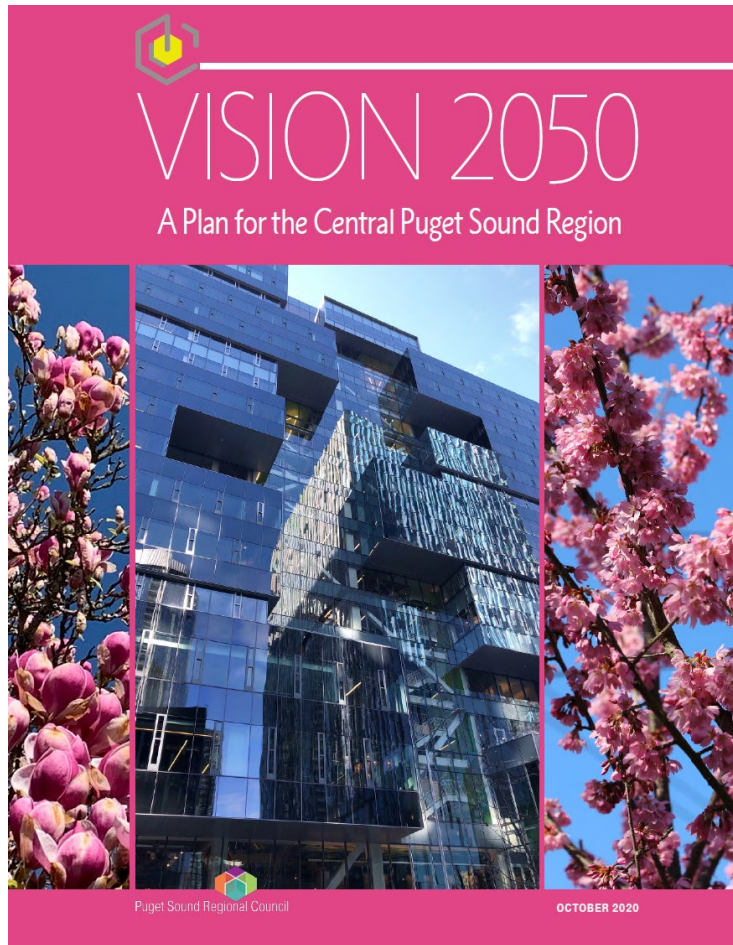











# PSRC and Local Comprehensive Plans



**Provide resources to help you create local plans** that advance regional goals around mobility, climate change, housing affordability, racial equity, and more!

# Key Policy Themes from VISION 2050



-  Increase **housing** choices and affordability
-  Provide **opportunities** for all
-  Sustain a strong **economy**
-  Significantly reduce greenhouse gas **emissions**
-  Keep the region **moving**
-  Restore the health of **Puget Sound**
-  Protect a network of **open space**
-  Growth in **centers** and near **transit**
-  Act **collaboratively** and support **local efforts**

# Plan Review Manual



**VISION 2050 PLANNING RESOURCES**  
 Plan Review Manual  
 May 2021  
*Updated September 2022\**

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Plan Review &  
 Certification Webinar  
 hosted on June 30, 2021

Available at  
<https://www.psrc.org/our-work/plan-review>



# VISION 2050 Consistency Tools



## VISION Consistency Tool for Local Comprehensive Plans

Note: The tool shown here is for illustrative purposes. To fill out the tool, visit [www.psrc.org/our-work/plan-review](http://www.psrc.org/our-work/plan-review).

This tool is intended to help cities and counties integrate VISION 2050 into their local comprehensive plans. VISION 2050's multicounty planning policies serve as the adopted regional guidelines and principles required in state law to guide both regional and local planning. The tool also identifies transportation planning requirements of the Growth Management Act (GMA). The tool may be used at various times in the local planning process:

- Plan Update Scoping:** Use checklist items as guidance for scoping the extent of plan element updates. New or expanded issue areas in VISION 2050 are identified to support this process.
- Draft Plan Review:** Submit draft plans to PSRC prior to Planning Commission and Council review. Completing and submitting this tool and providing early drafts to PSRC help identify potential consistency issues early in the process.
- Certification Review:** Along with the adopted plan, the tool will assist in PSRC's review of the plan. Demonstrating inclusion of the necessary information in the checklist helps facilitate certification. *Note: The PSRC Executive Board is the final decision-making body for plan certification.*
- Regional Collaboration:** The tool provides cities and counties an opportunity to highlight supports sharing of best practices across the region and benefits jurisdictions as they

### Resources

- Regional Plans: [VISION 2050](#), [Regional Transportation Plan](#), and [Regional Economic Development Plan](#)
- [VISION 2040 to VISION 2050](#) – summary of what changed in VISION 2050
- [VISION 2050 Policy Matrix](#) – a comparison of multicounty planning policies and adopted local policies
- [Plan Review Manual webpage](#) – access more information about the review and certification process and other resources by policy area. See previous [certification reports](#) for areas that have been reviewed.

How to use the tools:

- Fill out tools using Formsite and submit with drafts and adopted plans

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Tools should be used throughout the planning process

Go-to resources for VISION 2050 and Plan Review process

Look for (!) or  in the tools

# Certification Focus Areas (Comp Plans)



## GMA transportation-related requirements

- Consistent land use assumptions and travel demand forecasts
- Service and facility needs
- Plan for transportation financing and projects
- Demand management
- Pedestrian and bicycle planning

## Consistency with Regional Transportation Plans

- Transportation project lists and financing
- Transportation modeling based on shared regional growth assumptions

## Consistency with VISION 2050 MPPs

- Regional Growth Strategy
- Climate change, air quality and VMT provisions
- Equitable transit-oriented development (TOD)
- Housing supply and choices near transit and job centers



## Minor updates to the Washington Administrative Code, but no changes to Growth Management Act requirements for the Transportation element since 2015/16 updates

- Inventory
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Component
- Level of Service Standards
- Travel Forecasting and Land Use Assumptions
- Transportation Demand Management
- System Needs, Multiyear Financing Plan, and Reassessment Strategy
- Goals and Policies

# Helpful Resources

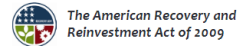


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## Your Community's Transportation System

A Guide to Reviewing, Updating and Implementing Your Transportation Element



### [Commerce: Transportation Element Guide](#)

The screenshot shows the MRSC website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Contact Us', 'Partners', and 'Rosters', along with a search bar and an 'Ask MRSC' button. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with categories: 'RESEARCH TOOLS', 'EXPLORE TOPICS', 'STAY INFORMED', 'TRAINING', 'PUBLICATIONS', and 'ABOUT MRSC'. The main content area displays the title 'Transportation Plans and Plan Elements' and a list of links: 'Overview', 'Transportation Elements of Comprehensive Plans', 'Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs)', 'Nonmotorized Transportation Plans', and 'Local Transportation Studies and Plans'. On the right side, there is a 'Related Materials' section with links to a 'BLOG' and 'ASK MRSC'.

### [MRSC: Transportation Plan Examples](#)

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The screenshot shows a document titled 'PSRC PLAN REVIEW REPORT & CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATION' for the 'CITY OF KIRKLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN' dated December 31, 2015. The document includes sections for 'BACKGROUND', 'DISCUSSION', and 'CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATION'. The 'CERTIFICATION RECOMMENDATION' section states: 'The Puget Sound Regional Council certifies that the transportation-related provisions in the City of Kirkland 2015 comprehensive plan update conform to the Growth Management Act and are consistent with multicounty planning policies and the regional transportation plan.' The footer of the document reads 'PSRC Plan Review & Certification Recommendation, City of Kirkland Comprehensive Plan, Page 1 of 8'.

### [PSRC: Previous Certification Report](#)

# Community Profiles



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Select your Community:

Bellevue

Select American Community Survey Data:

2016-2020 ACS Data

- Population: 146,100
- People of Color: 52.3%
- Median Age: 37.6 years
- People with a Disability: 8.4%
- Median HH Income: \$129,500
- HH Size: 2.48 people per household
- Home Ownership: 53%
- Unemployment Rate: 3.5%
- Travel Time to Work: 24.3 minutes

**Regional Definitions:**

Regional Geography: Metropolitan Cities  
 Airport Affected Community: No

[Download Data Profiles in Excel Format](#)

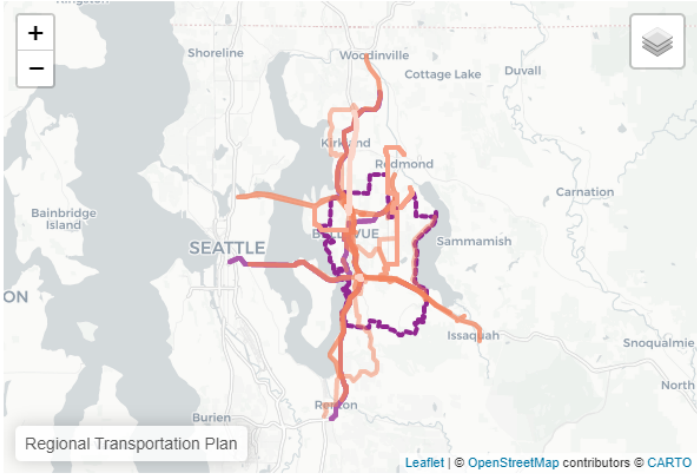


Transportation Improvement Program    Regional Transportation Plan

Larger scale regional investments planned through 2050 are included in the RTP on the Regional Capacity Projects list.

Regional Capacity Projects are those projects adding capacity to the regional system above a pre-determined threshold, and include roadway, transit, bicycle/pedestrian and other project types. Projects meeting this threshold must be approved on the list before proceeding towards funding and implementation. Projects that are below this threshold are considered programmatic in the plan and are able to pursue funding and implementation with no further actions.

As part of the update, projects are requested to be either in the financially constrained plan or in the Unprogrammed portion of the plan.



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ID	Sponsor	Type	Title	Improvement	Completion	Status	Cost
2523	Sound Transit	Regional Transit	Link LRT Extension from downtown Seattle to Redmond (Overlake)	Transit/Ferry	2023	Approved	\$3,757,887,730
2529	Sound Transit	Regional Transit	Link LRT extension to South Kirkland and Issaquah	Transit/Ferry	2040	Candidate	\$2,382,637,661
4040	King County	Counties	Eastrail (East Side Rail Corridor Trail)	Bike/Ped	2030	Candidate	\$149,652,770
4041	Kirkland	Cities	Cross Kirkland Corridor	Multimodal	2037	Approved	\$60,815,186
4315	WSDOT	State	I-405 Corridor: SR 169 to I-90 Widening and Interchange Improvements	General Purpose Capacity	2030	Candidate	\$1,071,969,525





## **Alignment between Plan Elements // Internal Consistency**

- Transportation modeling based on different assumptions, inconsistent between elements

## **Alignment with Growth Targets // External Consistency**

- Planned growth significantly higher than countywide targets

## **Missing Transportation Requirements**

- Incomplete project lists or financing plan
- Missing or incomplete pedestrian & bike component
- Inconsistencies with projects on state facilities

# PSRC Guidance and Resources



## Available Now:

- [Conservation Toolkit](#)
- [Growth Target Guidance](#)
- [Economic Development Element Guide](#)
- [Tribal Coordination](#)
- [Community Data Profiles](#)
- [Equitable Engagement](#)
- [TOD + Centers Guidance](#)
- [Climate Change Guidance](#) (draft)

## Upcoming:

- Transportation Guidance
- Growth Outreach Toolkit
- Housing Element Guide
- Equity Planning Resources
- Land Use Vision Forecast

### VISION 2050 Planning Resources

PSRC develops guidance, research, and data products to support local planning and advance VISION 2050. Browse resources below by policy topic area.



#### Regional Plans

- > [VISION 2050](#)
- > [Regional Transportation Plan](#)
- > [Regional Economic Strategy](#)

#### Guidance by Policy Topic Area (from PSRC and partner agencies)

<a href="#">Regional Collaboration and Equity</a>	>
<a href="#">Regional Growth Strategy</a>	>
<a href="#">Environment</a>	>
<a href="#">Climate Change</a>	>
<a href="#">Development Patterns: Centers and Transit-Focused Growth</a>	>

### [VISION 2050 Planning Resources](#)

### [Previous Certification Reports](#)





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